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EVERYTHING CHANGED THAT DAY.

FROM A LIFE I CONTINUALLY ENDURED...

THE PALTRY DINING TABLE BY THE FIRE, WITH MY FAMILY AROUND...

...BECAME A GLORIOUS BATTLEFIELD ADJOINED BY DEATH AND BLOOD.

...TO A LIFE OF FIGHTING TO SUCCEED.

HOW I THOUGHT, HOW I LIVED.

EVERY-THING...

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CASCA, CHAPTER 3

SINCE THAT DAY.....

THE DAY I MET GRIFFITH,

I...

EVEN NOW I FEEL IT'S BEEN ONE LONG DREAM.

BACK THEN...

...I IDOLIZED GRIFFITH.

HE WAS LIKE...

...SOME PROPHET OR SAINT.

.....
.....

IN EFFECT THAT'S WHAT HE WAS TO US.

WE WERE A RAGTAG BAND OF COMMONERS WITH NO BACKING...

...EVER VICTORIOUS ON THE BATTLEFIELD, FIGHTING LIKE SOME MIRACLE.

AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, LEADING US WAS A YOUNG MAN WHO COULD STILL BE CALLED A BOY IN HIS INNOCENCE...

...WHEN IN REALITY, HE WASN'T A NOBLE OR KNIGHT EVEN, BUT A COMMONER LIKE THE REST OF US.

...
...

AFTER A WHILE, I SOMEHOW CARVED OUT A LIFE AS A SOLDIER.....

AT THAT TIME THE *HAWKS* BECAME INVOLVED IN A CERTAIN FEUDAL LORD'S DISPUTE.

THAT'S *EXACTLY* WHAT GRIFFITH WAS.

A MIRACLE .....

YES... IN MY EYES,

A WEALTHY MAN INTIMATELY INVOLVED IN SOVEREIGN AFFAIRS.

HE WAS SAID TO BE A MAN OF FAME...

RATHER HIS SORDID TASTES.

BUT THE WORST RUMORS ABOUT HIM DIDN'T INVOLVE HIS ASSETS,

IN TRUTH, THEY WERE IMPRISONED WITHIN HIS CASTLE AS PLEASURE SLAVES.

AS ATTENDANTS HE WOULD EMPLOY CHILDREN FROM NEIGHBORING VILLAGES... NEARLY ALL BOYS, WHO MET HIS TASTES...

I HAD ALMOST BECOME LIKE THAT ONCE...

A HEART-RENDING SENSE OF FEAR AND DISGUST.

...CHILDREN WITH EYES... VACANT OF ALL BUT FEAR.

THEY WOULD BE AT HIS SIDE...

...BUT TO BE HONEST, IT SENT A CHILL DOWN MY SPINE.

I GUESS THESE DAYS THAT'S NOT SUCH A STRANGE SIGHT...

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...BY PUTTING HIS HAND ON MY SHOULDER... JUST FROM THAT, I MYSTERIOUSLY STOPPED TREMBLING.

BUT JUST LIKE THAT TIME...

...FOLLOWING SEVERAL SKIRMISHES...

AFTER-WARDS...

HE WAS A BOY WHO HAD JOINED THE BAND OF THE HAWK HALF A YEAR BEFORE THEN, TO TRAIN TO BE A SOLDIER.

HE WAS ABOUT TEN YEARS OLD, AND I DON'T KNOW HIS NAME. HE DIDN'T REALLY STAND OUT ENOUGH TO BE NOTICED.

THAT IS... NO ONE BUT GRIFFITH...

THERE WAS NO ONE TO RECOGNIZE THE REMAINS OF THIS NAMELESS SOLDIER-IN-TRAINING AMONG THE COUNTLESS FALLEN.

IT WAS A TOY KNIGHT... SCUFFED, DIRTY, AND MISSING A LEG...

GRIFFITH.

THIS BOY'S BELONG-INGS.

WHAT'S THAT?

GRIF-FITH?

...ON THE BATTLE-FIELD...

A TOY...

HE MUST HAVE *GREATLY* ADMIRED KNIGHTS.

...THE HERO OF SOME STORY.

HE'D GAZE AT ME AS IF I WERE...

I REMEMBER HIM WELL.

OR WAS DEATH...

...THE END OF THE DREAM?

WAS IT *DESPAIR* ...?

...

...

DREAM-ING...

I WONDER ...

DID HE DIE *ENCHANTED* BY HIS DREAM?

...IF HE WAS *HAPPY?*

MAYBE MY DREAM...

...IS WHAT KILLED THIS BOY.

...THE WORDS TO SPEAK.

I COULDN'T FIND...

NEVER SO...

I'D NEVER SEEN GRIFFITH LIKE THAT BEFORE.

...NEVER SO SOMBER.

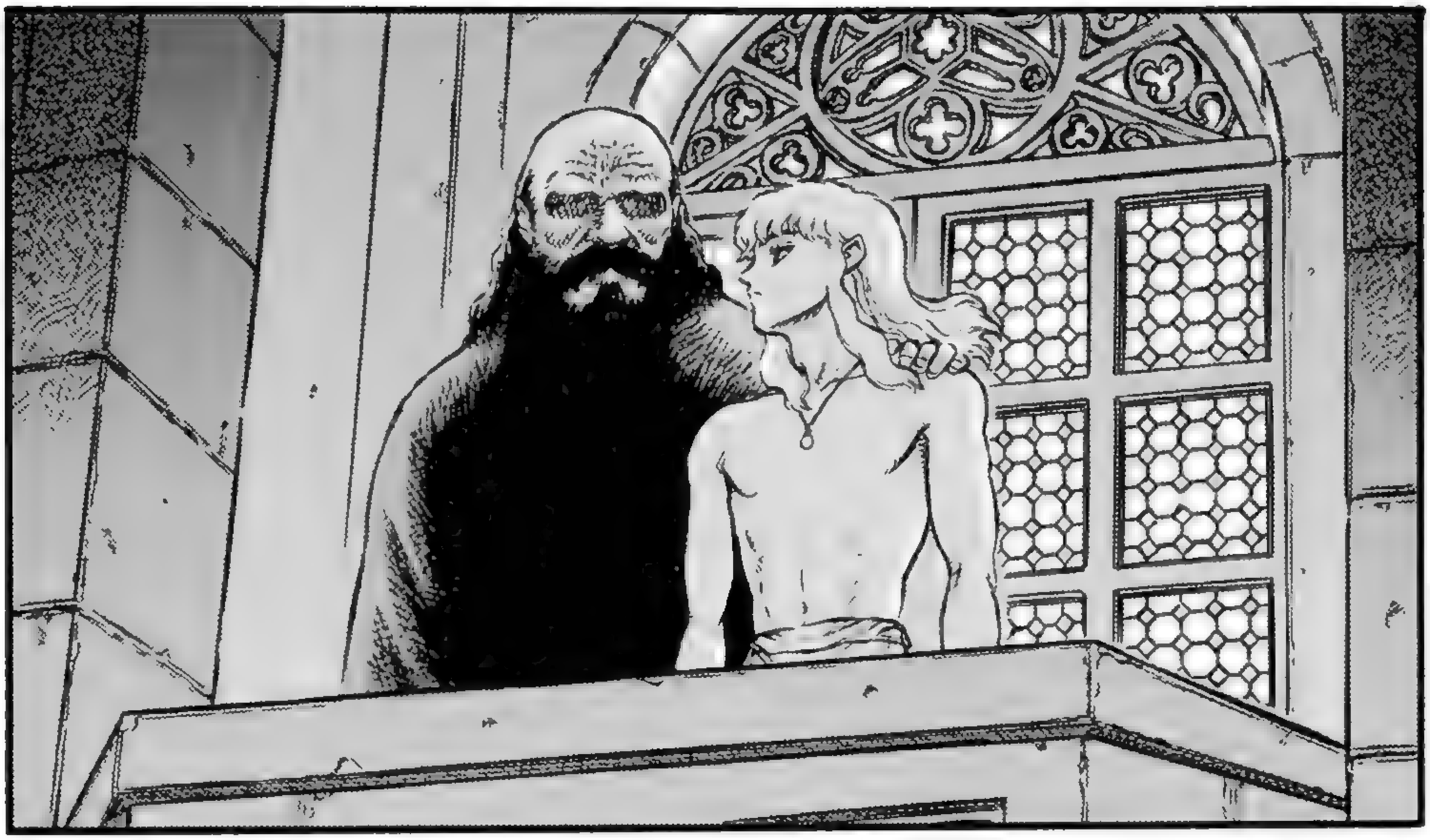
...
...

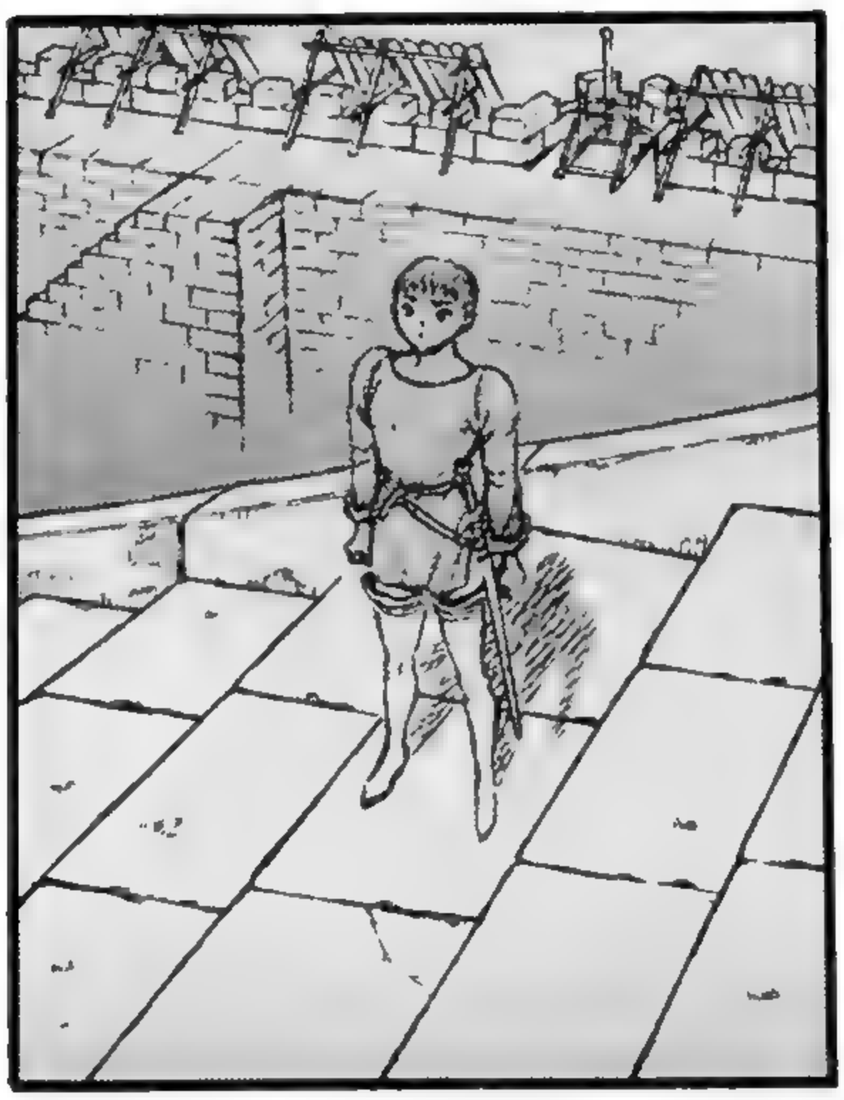
THEN, ONE EVENING UPON RETURNING TO THE CASTLE...

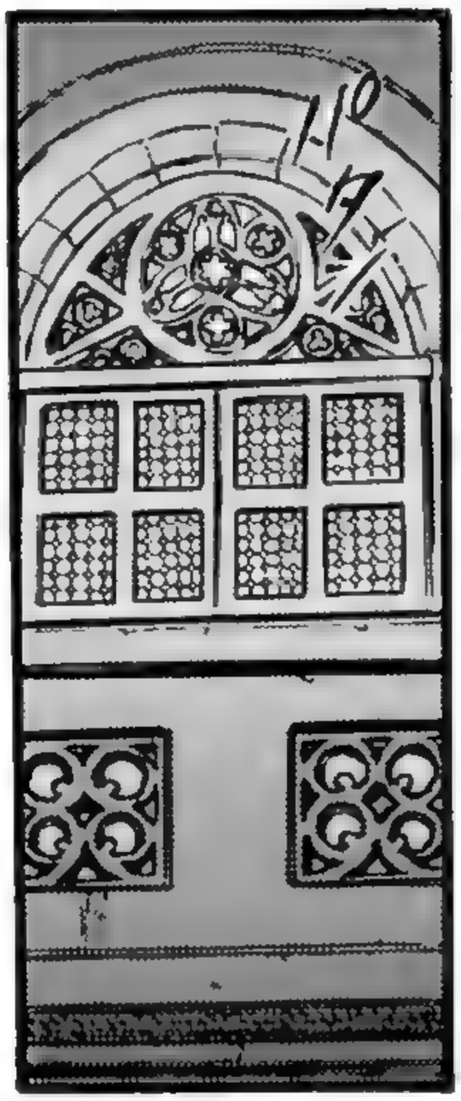
BUT... EVER SINCE THEN, I'VE STARTED VIEWING GRIFFITH DIFFERENTLY...

GRIFFI--

GRIFFITH ...?







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YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT?! YOU MEAN MISTER BALL OF PRIDE?!

...HEY!!

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COME DAWN THAT MORN-ING...

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...I COULDN'T SLEEP AND WAS WANDERING ALONG THE RIVER NEAR THE CASTLE.

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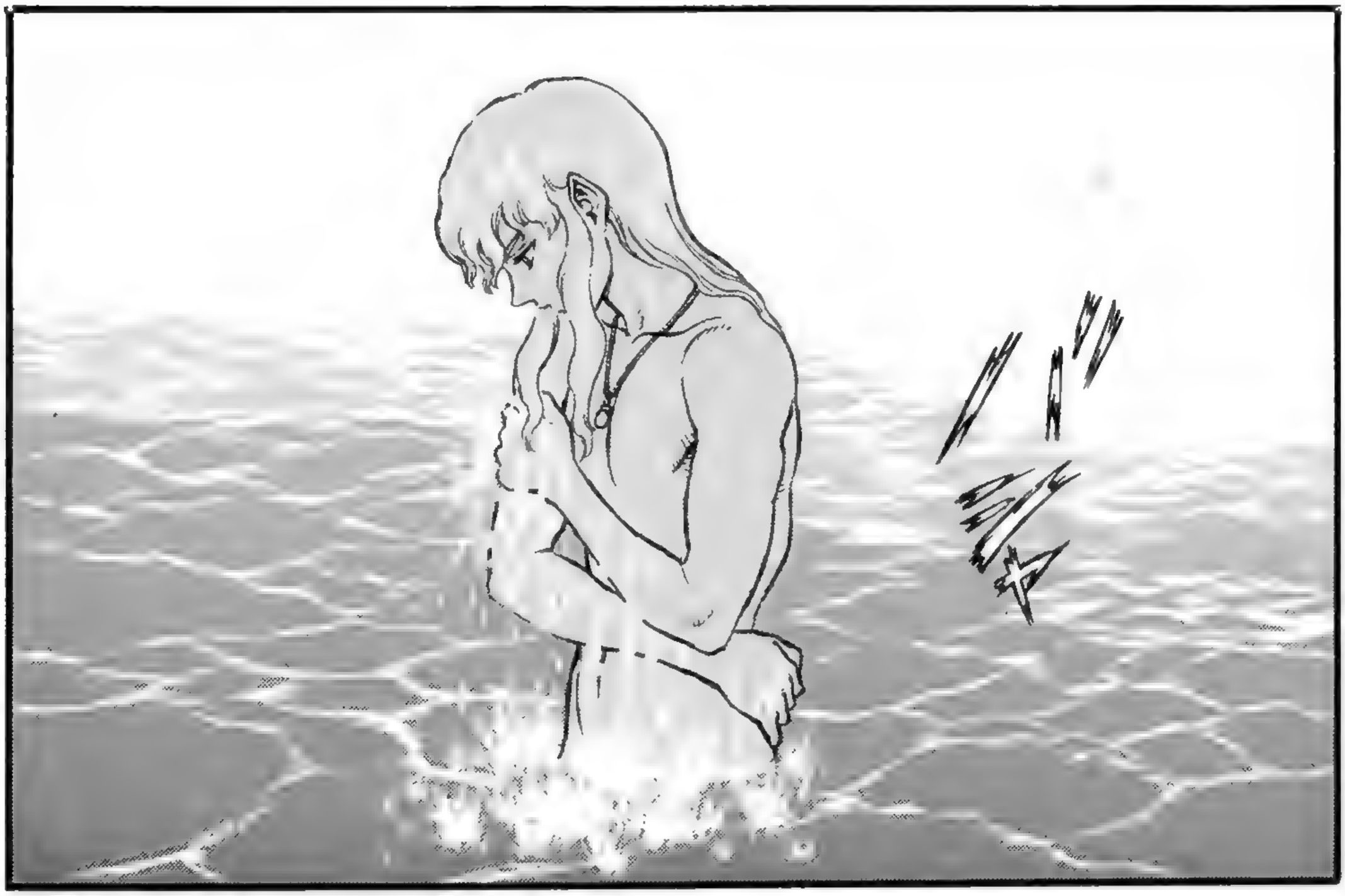

WHY NOT JOIN ME?
IT FEELS NICE.

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N--!!

UH...

UH...

I...

AM I...

...DIRTY?

...

...

WHY...

.....

.....

...WERE YOU ALONE WITH HIM BEFORE?

WHY...

11"

11"

NO.

YOU'RE NOT MISTAKEN.

YOU'RE RIGHT...

MY MISTAKE, HUH?

I...

THAT, LAST NIGHT...

A WAR COUNCIL OR SOME-THING...

SO...!!

WHY...?

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WHY...

WHY WOULD YOU...

...WITH SOMEONE LIKE HIM...?!

MONEY.

AND THE BAND OF THE HAWK WILL GROW LARGER AND LARGER... IT *HAS* TO.

FOR THAT *TOO* WE NEED A VAST AMOUNT... *WAR FUNDS.*

AN ARMY CONSUMES *SO* MUCH MONEY JUST *BEING.*

MEN. HORSES. EQUIPMENT. PROVISIONS. NONE OF IT IS FREE.

HUH?

A-AREN'T WE DOING WELL ENOUGH *NOW?* AT THIS RATE, IF WE CAN JUST KEEP WINNING...

...WE'LL *EVENT-UALLY* RAISE ENOUGH...

YEAH, BUT...

STILL ...!!

AND I WAS *INTER-ESTED* IN HIS FORTUNE.

IN ANY CASE, I SEEMED TO APPEAL TO THAT OLD MAN.....

OUR INTER-ESTS COIN-CIDED.

...

...

BESIDES ...

IT WOULD TAKE TOO LONG.

!

...I LOSE MORE TROOPS.

...WITH EVERY BATTLE FOUGHT...

IS THIS BECAUSE OF THAT BOY?

GRIF-FITH...

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TO GO TO BATTLE TEN TIMES AND LOSE HUNDREDS OF SOLDIERS OR TO SEDUCE ONE OLD MAN... WHICH IS THE LESSER RISK?

I THOUGHT ABOUT IT *LOGICALLY.*

NO.

I DON'T FEEL AT ALL RESPONSIBLE FOR MY COMRADES WHO'VE LOST THEIR LIVES UNDER MY COMMAND...

CASCA.

LISTEN.

.....

.....

THAT'S JUST THE WAY I AM.

GRIF-FITH?

...

I GUESS...

IT'S BECAUSE THEY *THEMSELVES* CHOSE TO FIGHT.

GRIFFITH, BLOOD...

...IF THERE'S *SOMETHING* I CAN DO...

...FOR THE SAKE OF THE DEAD...

BUT IF...

...FOR THEIR SAKES...

...IS TO *WIN.*

THAT *THING*...

GRIFFITH, STOP IT...!!

...PUTTING THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE.

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I'LL KEEP WINNING... TO FULFILL MY DREAM TO WHICH THEY CLUNG...

BUT...
FOR HUNDREDS, THOUSANDS OF LIVES TO HANG IN THE BALANCE AND MYSELF *ALONE* NOT TO BE UNCLEAN...

MY DREAM CAN ONLY BE REALIZED BY BUILDING UPON THEIR CORPSES.

IT'S A *BLOOD-SMEARED* DREAM AFTER ALL.

STOP.

I HAVE NEITHER REGRET NOR REMORSE ABOUT THAT.

BUT...

WHAT I WANT... *WON'T* ENTER MY GRASP SO EASILY AS THAT.

JUST
STOP...

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IT'S NOTHING.

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I'M AL-RIGHT …

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…

JUST THEN, THAT FILLED ME WITH SADNESS...

THE GRIFFITH WHO TURNED AROUND TO PUT HIS HAND ON MY SHOULDER WAS THE SAME GRIFFITH AS EVER ONCE MORE.

...THAT MOST PEOPLE ABANDONED LONG AGO AS A CHILDISH YEARNING.

GRIFFITH PERSISTS IN TRYING TO REALIZE A KIND OF DREAM...

...THE DREAM HE'S CHASING IS SO GENUINE AND EXTRAORDINARY...

BUT...

...THAT THE BURDEN *MUST* BE IMMEASURABLE.

.....
.....

...SOMETHING GRAND ENDURES THAT MUCH *MORE* THAN OTHER PEOPLE.

BUT...

A STRONG PERSON...IT'S SIMPLE JUST TO SUM IT UP WITH THOSE WORDS.

...I THINK THAT SOMEONE WHO WANTS TO ACCOMPLISH...

GRIFFITH...

...HAS TO *MAKE* HIMSELF STRONG.

IT'S NOT THAT HE IS STRONG...

IF HE'S GOING TO SACRIFICE EVERYTHING FOR HIS DREAM...

...IF HIS DREAM IS TO FIGHT AND CUT AWAY HIS OWN PATH...

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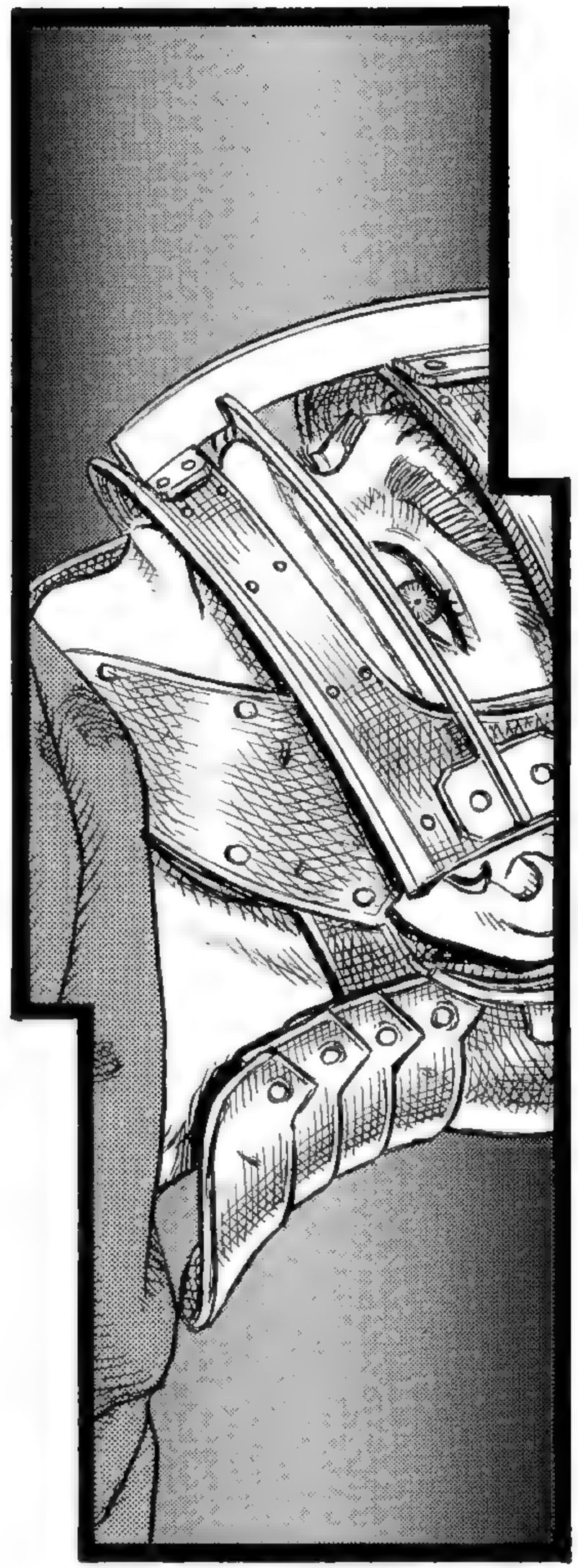
I WANT...

...TO BE BY HIS SIDE.

...THEN I WANT...

...TO BE HIS SWORD.

CASCA (3): END



WE'VE LOST COUNTLESS COMRADES.

BATTLE.

BATTLE.

BATTLE.

YET STILL MORE PEOPLE HAVE JOINED US.

FEW OLD FACES REMAIN ...

HAVING GRIFFITH TRUST ME DEEPLY...

...MADE ME REALIZE MY OWN WORTH.

BEFORE I KNEW IT, I TOO WAS A VETERAN.

I BELIEVED THAT WISH WOULD COME TRUE...

I WAS ABLE TO BELIEVE...

I WANT TO BE SOMETHING HE CAN'T DO WITHOUT IN ACHIEVING HIS DREAM.

I WANT TO BE AT HIS SIDE...

...UNTIL THAT DAY.

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決死行（1）

PREPARED FOR DEATH, CHAPTER 1

THE DAY YOU SHOWED UP...

THAT DAY...

WHAT GRIFFITH SAID TO YOU ON TOP OF THAT HILL.

DO YOU REMEMBER?

.....
.....

YEAH...

I WANT YOU...

...SAYS *ANYTHING* LIKE THAT.

HE *NEVER* ...

THOSE WORDS...

NOR HAS HE...

...SINCE THEN.

GRIFFITH...

...HAD NEVER SAID SUCH A THING TO ANYONE.

YOU GOT GRIFFITH TO SAY THAT TO YOU SO *EASILY*...

I *ENVIED* YOU.

YOU KNOW...

...I COULDN'T *STAND* IT.

...

.....

.....

IT'S AS IF...

BUT *GRIFFITH*, SO CALM AND COMPOSED...

...ALWAYS GETS *IMPULSIVE* WHEN IT COMES TO YOU!!

BUT ...

EVEN SO...

...I TRIED TO CONVINCE MYSELF THAT GRIFFITH WANTED YOU...

...JUST FOR YOUR STRENGTH.

...?

AS IF...

GRIFFITH RELIES ON YOU, YOU KNOW?

YOU JUST RUN OFF, NOT THINK-ING OF CONSE-QUENCES ...

TCH!

AND YET YOU'RE SEL-FISH...

...!!

WHAT I CAN'T FORGIVE...

IS THAT SELFISHNESS OF YOURS!

UH... HUH?

THE FACT THAT YOU'VE ALMOST GOTTEN GRIFFITH KILLED!!

BUT THE BAND OF THE HAWK...

I DON'T CARE IF YOU GET YOURSELF KILLED ON SOME BATTLE-FIELD!!

I WON'T LET YOU TAKE GRIFFITH'S DREAM DOWN WITH YOU!!

AND I CAN'T FORGIVE YOU...

...WHO CHANGED GRIFFITH THAT WAY.

YOU'RE THE ONE...

...

...

WHY...

WHY DOES IT HAVE TO BE YOU.....

WHY...

WHY IS IT...

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WHAT THE...?!

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SIR ADON *SWORE* HE'D PAY THE BOUNTY WHETHER THEY'RE DEAD OR ALIVE.

AND HEY, AFTER ALL, THEY'RE THE BAND OF THE HAWK'S CAPTAIN AND WOMAN COMMANDER.

NO DOUBT, MAN.

HEY, YOU *SURE* THIS IS IT?

BUT C'MON, AIN'T THEY *DEAD* BY NOW? THEY FELL OFF THAT *CLIFF*.

DOOOESN'T MATTER.

IF WE *DON'T* MOVE, SOME OTHERS'LL BEAT US TO IT.

THE BODIES COULD'VE WASHED AWAY IN THIS FAST CURRENT.

LET'S LOOK A LITTLE MORE DOWN-STREAM.

!

HEY.

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.....

DRINK IT.

FOR THE FEVER.

.....
.....

NO REAL TIME TO WASTE.

WE LEAVE AS SOON AS THE SUN SETS.

WHAT'S WRONG?
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WHAT THE *HELL!!*

HAHH

HAHH

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.....

WOMEN ARE *SUCH* ROYAL PAINS!

NO PHYSICAL STRENGTH! THINGS GO TO THEIR HEADS SO *DAMN FAST!*

AND *PERIODS* TO TOP IT OFF. JUST LOOK AT YA.

I GUESS THEY JUST *AIN'T* CUT OUT FOR IT.

BATTLE, THAT IS.

...!!

WHAT DO *YOU* KNOW?!

WHAT *WOULD* I KNOW? I'M A *MAN.*

THERE'S NO WAY YOU'RE GONNA SIT HERE LIKE THIS FOREVER BECAUSE OF YOUR *WOMAN'S PROBLEM.*

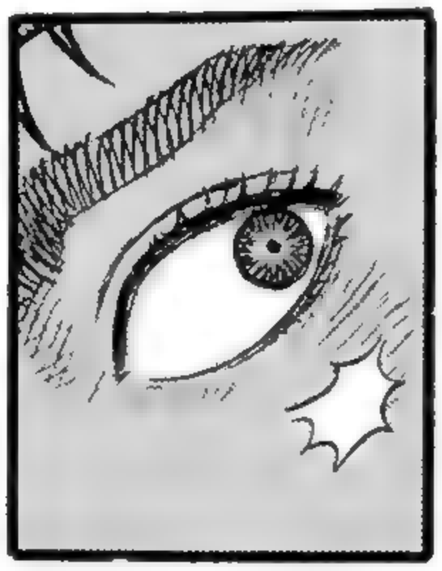
WHAT I *DO* KNOW IS THIS--

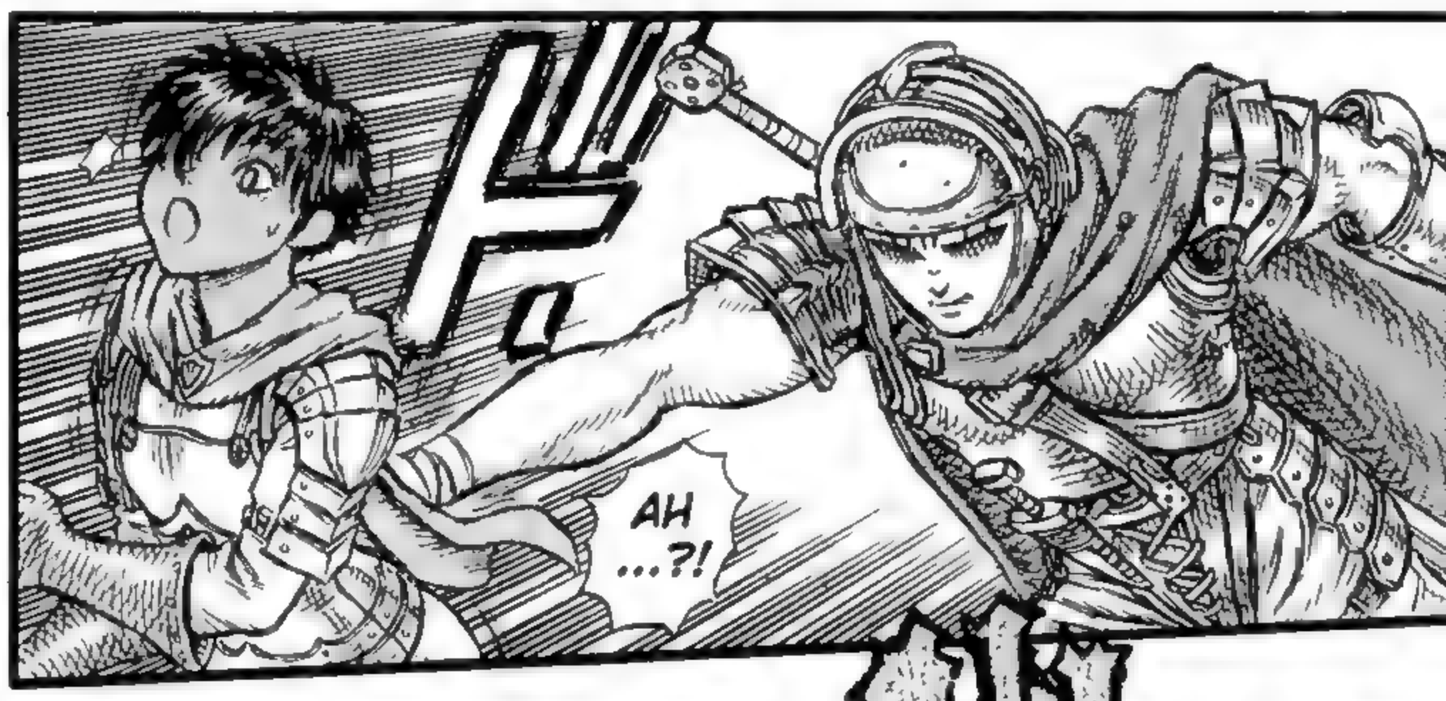
THEY MIGHT ACTUALLY *LIKE* IT, Y'KNOW?

IT DOESN'T MATTER TO THE ENEMY IF YOU'RE A WOMAN OR WHATEVER.

LET'S GO!

HN ...!!

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SWARMS OF 'EM! WHERE'D THEY ALL COME FROM?

.....
.....

THERE THEY ARE!

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HUHUH ...

YO!

LOOKIN' LIVELY YOURSELF, PAL!

LUCK OR NOT, I'M THROUGH BEING GIVEN A HARD TIME BY A LOWLIFE LOUT LIKE YOU!!

IMPUD-ENCE!!

AS A PROUD KNIGHT OF CHUDER, IT ANNOYS ME TO NO END!!

YOU MAKE ME HAPPY, BOY!!!

SO, YOU'RE ALIVE!! HAH HAHHH!

KUFU!

KILL

IF YOU SURRENDER QUIETLY, *VERY WELL!!* IF YOU *DEFY* ME, I'LL CHOP OFF AN ARM OR TWO!!

...I'LL PERSONALLY ADMINISTER THE TORTURE TECHNIQUE PASSED DOWN THROUGH MY *COBORLWITZ* FAMILY FOR TWO HUNDRED YEARS! YOU'LL GET YOUR FILL OF HELL ON EARTH WITH THE *"HUNDRED-YEAR CONVULSIVE DEATH."*

I WON'T *JUST* KILL YOU, EITHER. ONCE YOU'RE MY PRISONER...

OVER-KILL...

JUST SO LONG AS YOU *SURVIVE!!*

WELL, *SAME TO YA.*

?

YOU SURE HOLD A *GRUDGE.*

THE HELL'S THAT?

...SHE'LL BE A *TOY* FOR MY MEN HERE.

AS FOR THE WOMAN...

SHE'S A NIGHT-MARE.

MAYBE YOU'D BETTER *RETHINK* THAT ONE...

.....
.....

TAKE THEM!!!

YOU DARE PRO-VOKE ME...?!

HNN ...!!

SHE'LL BITE IT RIGHT OFF...

BET SHE WOULD.

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FOR
YOU?
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YOU'VE DONE...

...ENOUGH FOR ME!

FAIR ENOUGH!

PREPARED FOR DEATH (1): END

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決死行(2)

PREPARED FOR DEATH, CHAPTER 2

SSS!

ARGHHH!! DON'T FALTER!!

THERE'S TWO OF THEM!! MORE THAN TWO OF YOU ATTACK AT ONCE!!

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SHE GOT MY ARTERY!
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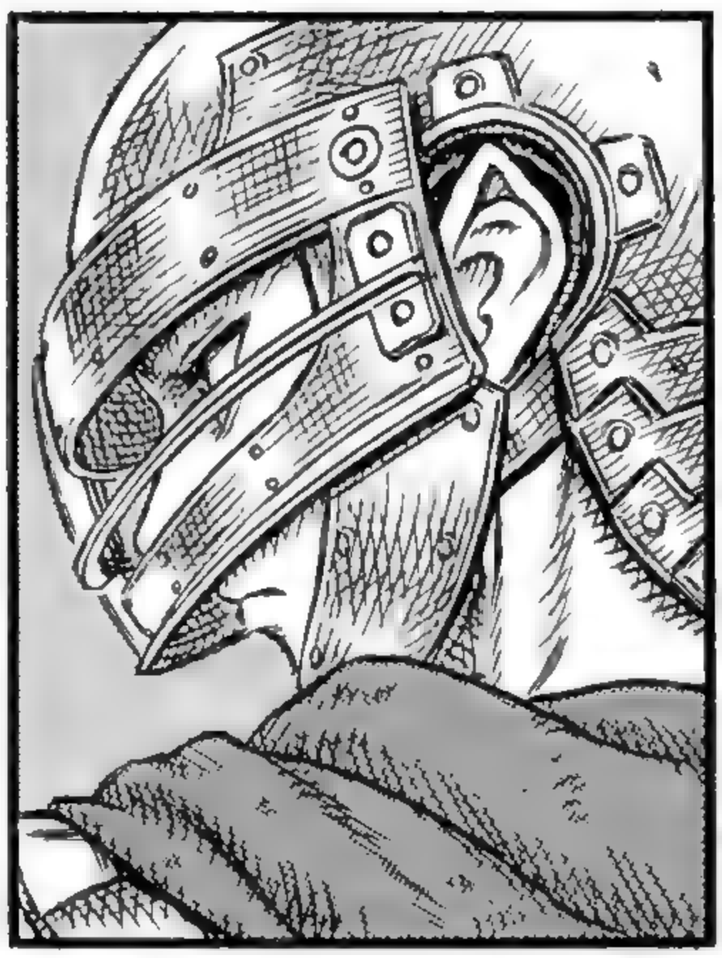

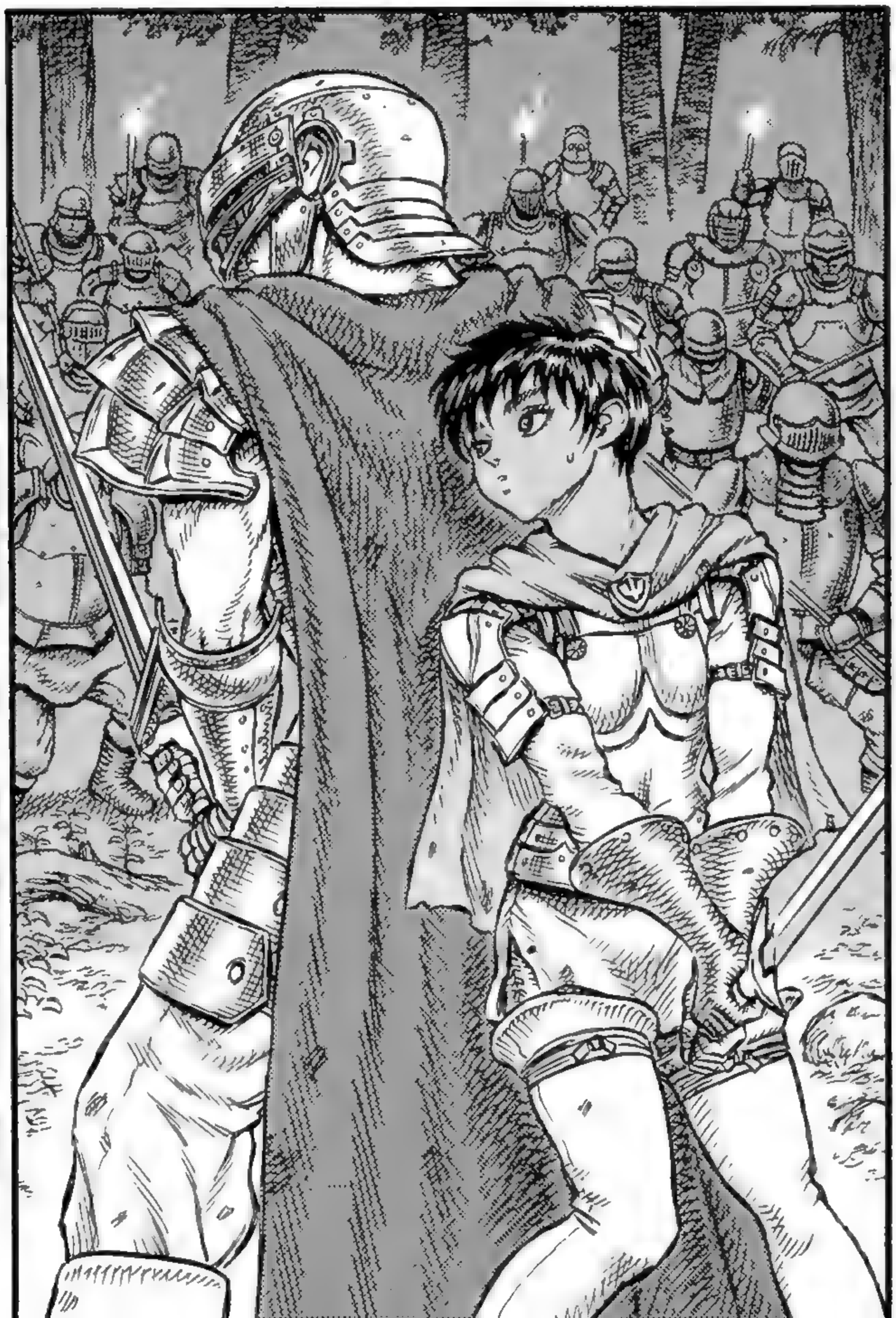

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BSHHHH

HNNN!

WORTH-LESS, EVERY LAST ONE OF THEM!!

SAAAM-SON!!

SAM-SON ...

YAHHH BRO!!

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SECOND IN COMMAND OF THE BLUE WHALE ULTRA HEAVY ARMORED FIERCE ASSAULT ANNIHILATION KNIGHT CORPS-- SAMSON!!

THE THICKNESS OF SAMSON'S ARMOR IS THREE TIMES ORDINARY PLATE! EVEN IF HE WERE BURIED IN A ROCKSLIDE, IT WOULDN'T EVEN BE DENTED!

AND HIS IRON BALL CAN SMASH A WATER BUFFALO'S SKULL WITH ONE STRIKE!! ALL THAT'D BE LEFT OF A HUMAN ARE CHUNKS OF FLESH!!

HE'S MY LITTLE BROTHER, AND IN OUR CORPS, HE'S A WARRIOR SECOND ONLY TO MYSELF!!

SSS-RAAA

ORAHH

OUDDA DA WAYYY!!

SHOW NO MERCY!!

GO!!

BSHAAA

BUT SHOW THEM OUR COBORL-WITZ PRIDE!!

YOW!

AIIE!

.....
.....

WHAT FREAKISH STRENGTH ...!! A DIRECT HIT FROM THAT WOULD SHATTER A SWORD!!

BUT I CAN'T DODGE THAT BALL IN MY CONDITION!! WHAT NOW?!

!

HHH.

BSSHAARA

EH?

?!

HE... HE HIT IT BACK?!

NWAH?!

...BAZ-DARRRD!

B...

IGH!

UWAH!

GRAHHH!

.....
...!!

HE'S STOPPING ALL OF SAMSON'S STRIKES?!

R- RIDICULOUS!!

WITH HIS SKILLS, IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR GUTS TO DODGE AND COUNTER-ATTACK.

NO.

THEY'RE SO FAST...

AH... AHAH!!

.....
.....

THERE'S NO NEED FOR HIM TO DAMAGE HIS SWORD TAKING THIS HEAD ON.

HE HASN'T GOT *TIME* TO DODGE!!

...MY FAULT?

IS IT...

HE'S WOUNDED...?!

!

HUH ...?!

LOOKS LIKE THE ARROW WOUND YOU GOT PROTECTING THE WOMAN...

HUHAHAHooo

...HASN'T QUITE *HEALED* YET HAS IT?!

∞...

EYAH?

HEY.

I'LL BUY YOU A CHANCE.

HIGHTAIL IT THROUGH THE FOREST.

BUT...

B...

BUT THEN...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! HE'S WOUNDED!! GO ON AND SETTLE THIS!!

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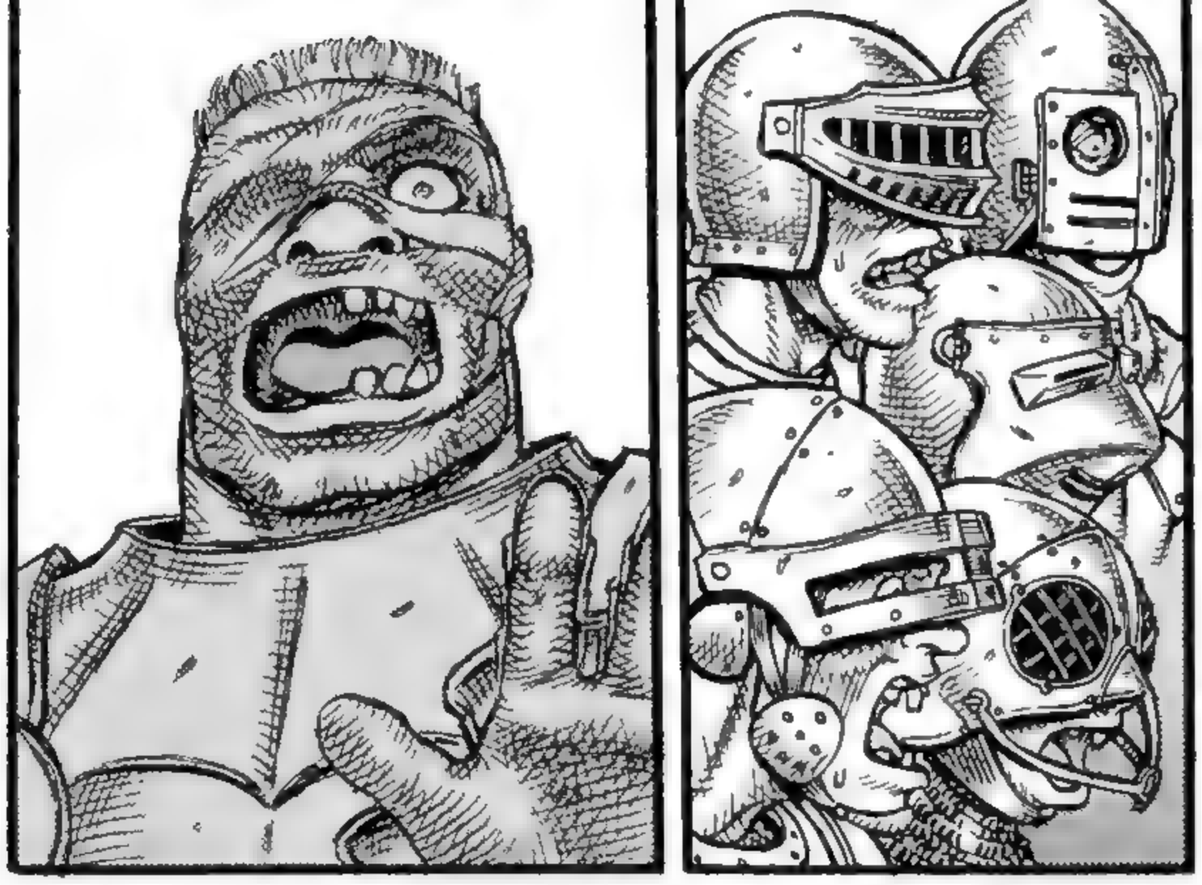

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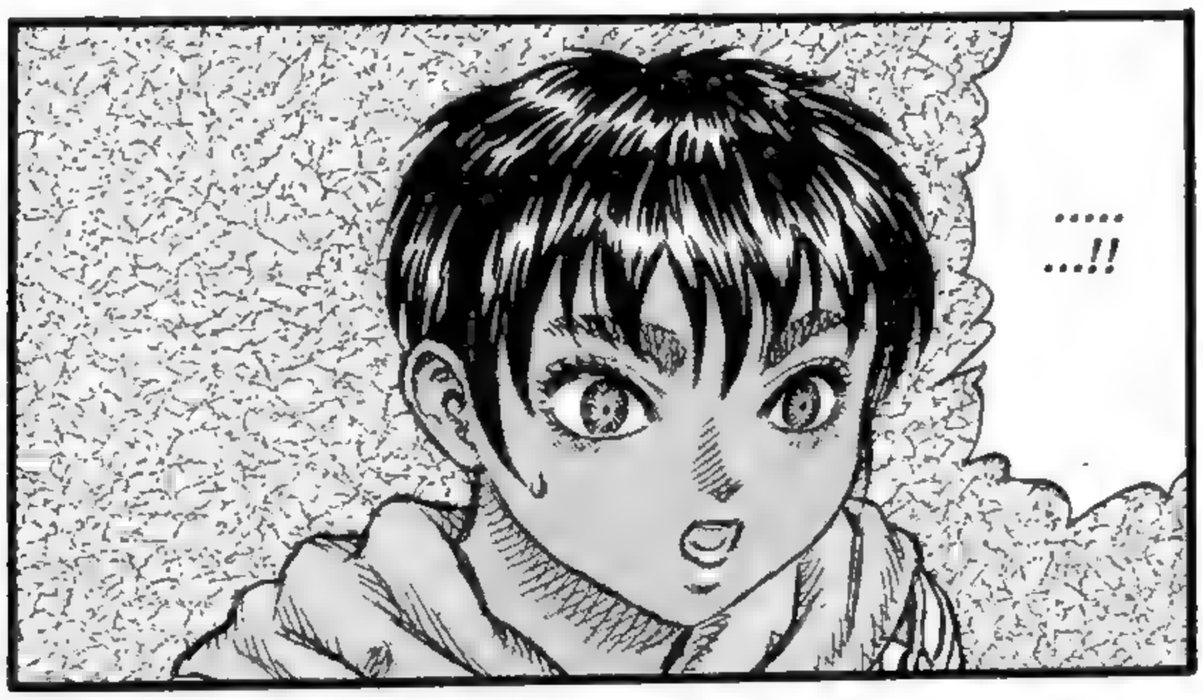
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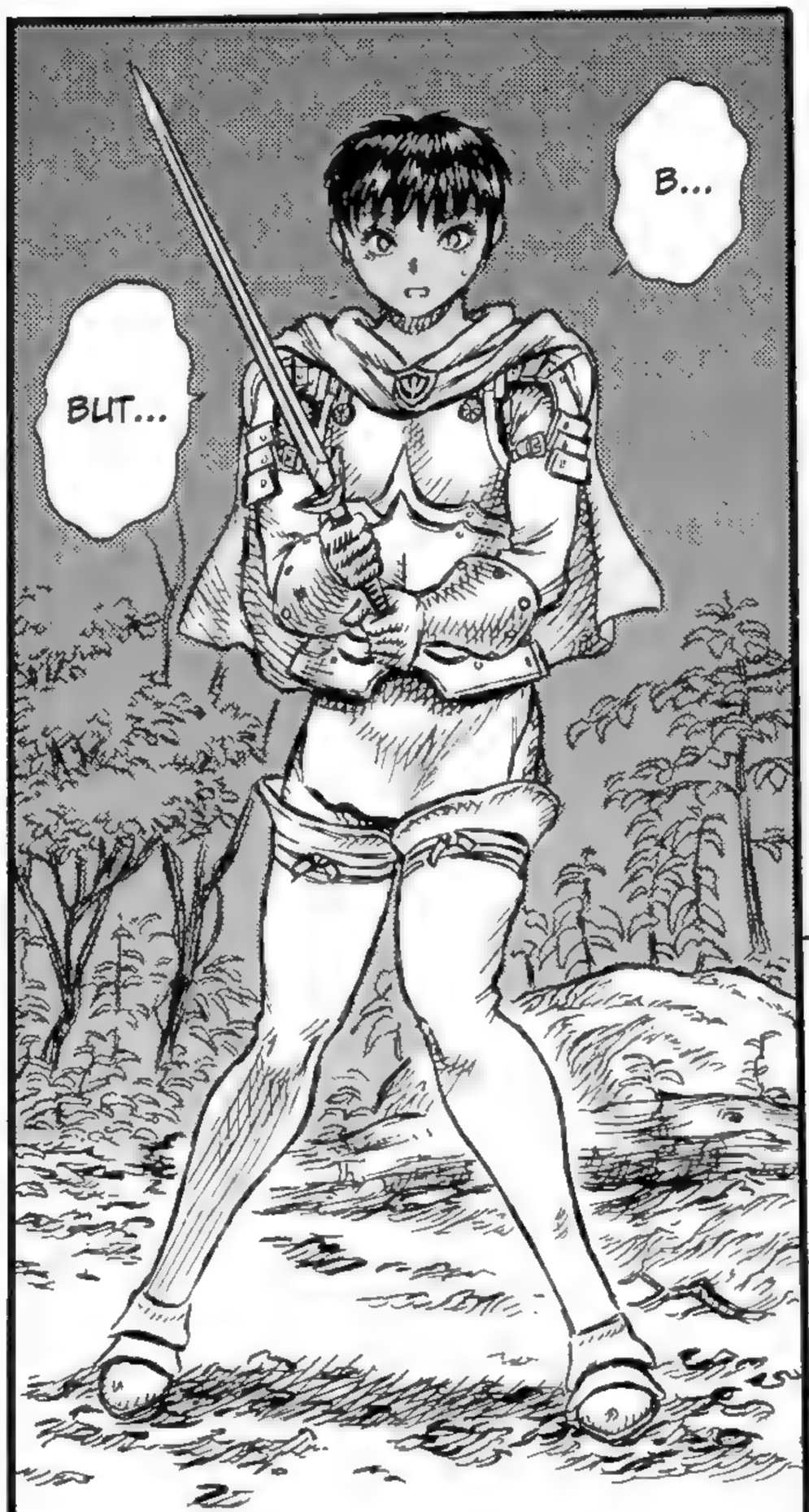
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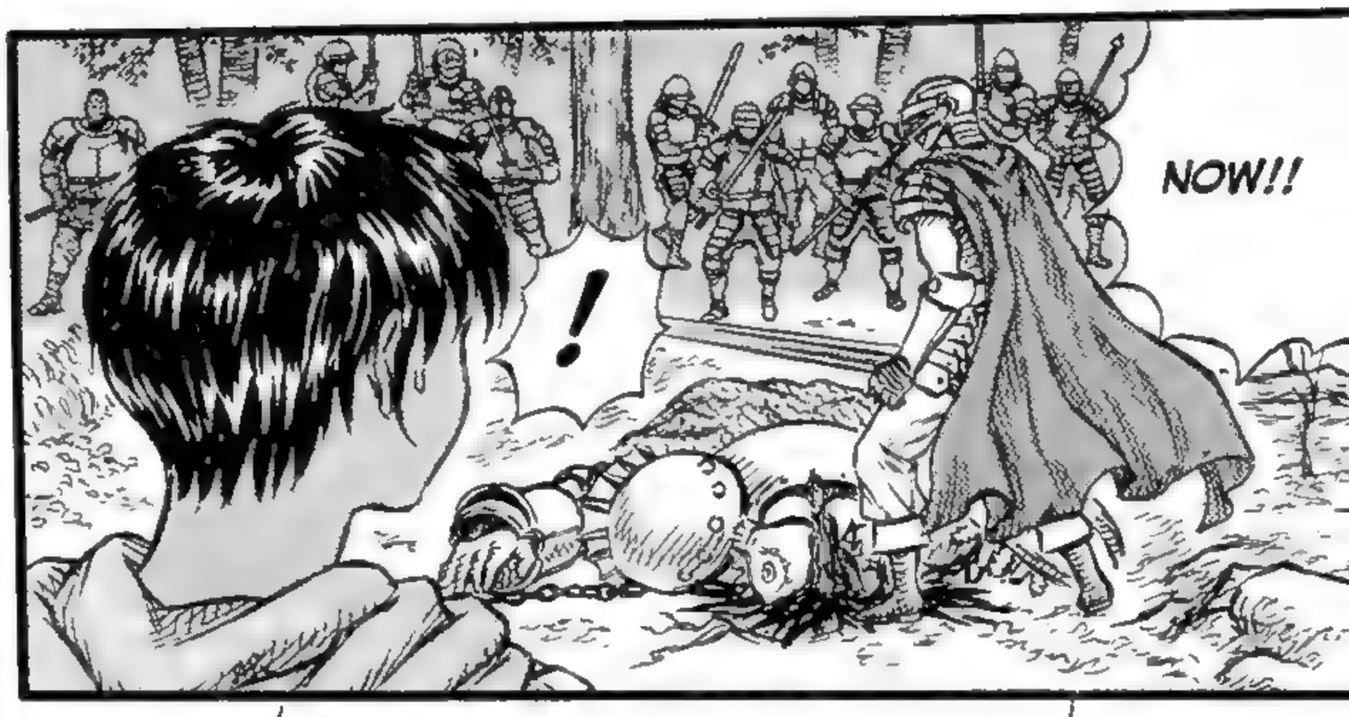
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NOW!!

GET MOVIN'!!
DON'T STAND THERE AND STARE!!

...RUN OFF ALONE!!

I CAN'T JUST...

RUN, FOOL!!

WHAT'RE YOU DOIN'?!

N-NO ...

I CAN'T DO THAT...

... ...

HNNN ...

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SHOOT THE WOMAN TO DEATH!!

F- FIRE!!

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GUTS ...?!

TCH!

WHY...?

NOT ONCE, BUT *TWICE*, FOR JUST *ONE WOMAN!!*

DAHHH HA HA! YOU DOLT!! OH, LAUGHABLE.

WHAT A *SIMPLETON!!*

...
WHY?

THAT PRICK. BEIN' LAUGHED AT BY HIM PISSES ME OFF.

...
...

DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA.

BESIDES, I GOT A SCORE TO SETTLE WITH BRIGHT BOY!

IT AIN'T MY WAY TO RUN OFF!

SICK AS YOU ARE, YOU'RE JUST IN MY WAY, SO GET LOST.

IT'S LIKE YOU SAID BEFORE...

MAYBE... I'M SATISFIED JUST AS LONG AS I CAN SWING MY SWORD AROUND...

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...

THIS WORTHLESS PLACE.

IS THIS WHERE IT *ENDS* FOR YOU?

HERE ...

DYIN'...

...IN A PLACE LIKE *THIS*?

...THIS RIGHT BY YOU?

IS WHAT YOU WANT THAT CHEAP?

GO TO YOUR SWORD MASTER...

A SWORD ...

...RETURNS TO THE SHEATH, RIGHT?

SUR-ROUND THEM!!

DON'T BE SCARED!!

...GO BACK.

GO TO GRIFFITH.

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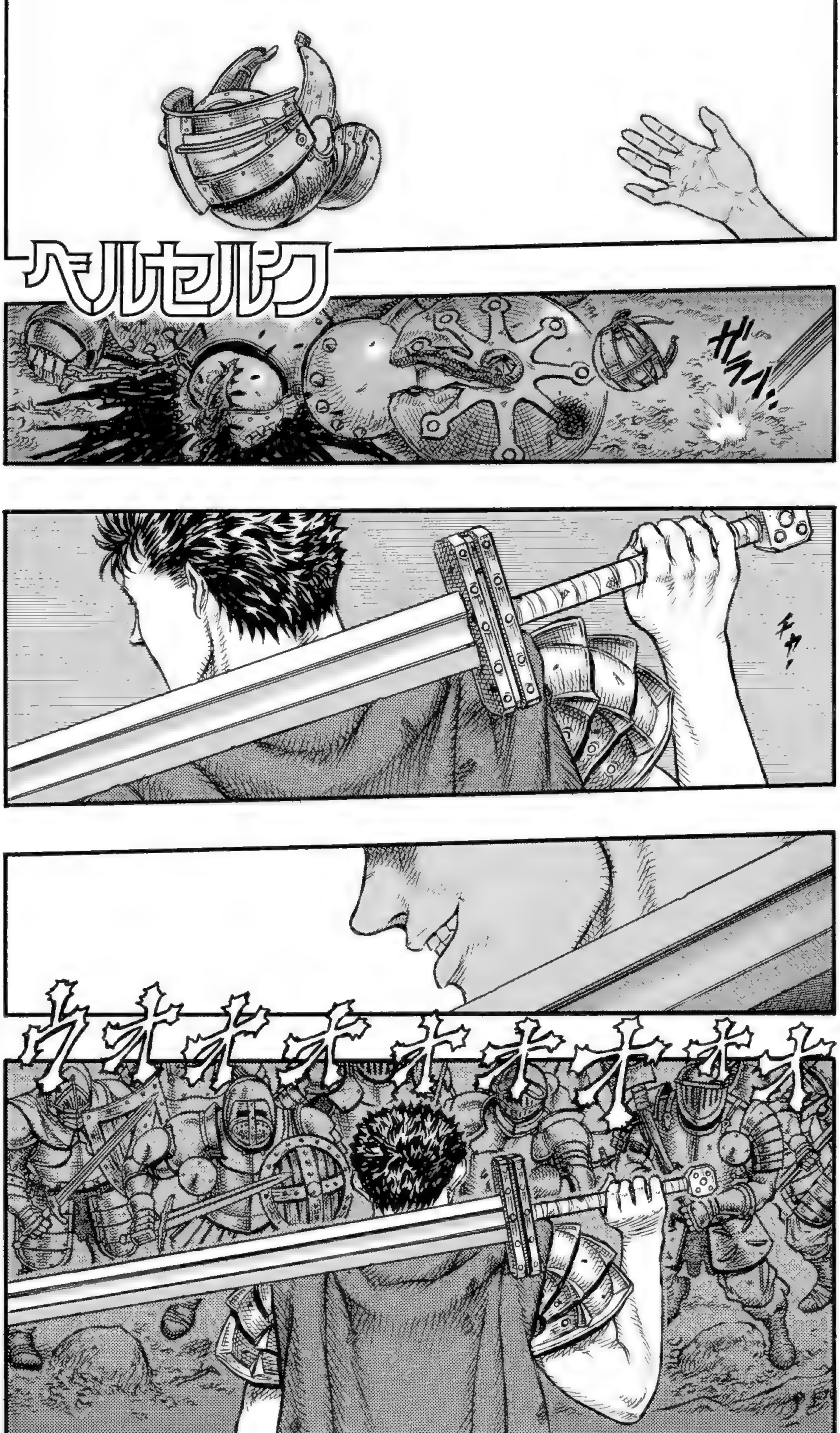
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PREPARED FOR DEATH. CHAPTER 3

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WHA...

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NOW !!

GO!!!

DON'T JUST STAND THERE!!

I SWEAR I'LL COME BACK WITH THE OTHERS ...!!

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UNTIL THEN .....

DON'T DIE!!

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HANG ON!

YOHH!!

KILL HER!!

DON'T LET HER ESCAPE!!

BUNCHA WAGE THIEVES.

YOU CAN CHASE GIRLS *AFTER* YOU'VE DONE YOUR JOB.

SON OF A BITCH...

S...

...AH?

SO QUICK!!

UWAHHH!

HYAH!

THEY GO FLYING WITH EVERY STROKE!!

HE CUTS DOWN FULLY ARMORED MEN LIKE THEY WERE *GROUND CHERRIES!*

N-NOBODY TOLD ME THE ENEMY HAD SOMEONE LIKE *HIM!!*

WHA- *WHAT IS THIS GUY?!*

AIIEE!

WHA ...?!

HNNRGH...

DAMN YOUUU!

ALTHOUGH IT'S OVER THREE TIMES THICKER AND HEAVIER THAN A REGULAR ONE...IF ONE HIT DON'T KILL YOU, YOU'LL *WISH* IT HAD.

MY SWORD'S *DULL*. IT DON'T CUT TOO WELL...

WHAT'RE YOU WAITING FOR?!

ALL OF YOU!!

NO MATTER HOW SKILLED HE IS, HE'S JUST ONE WOUNDED MAN!! IT'S NO BIG DEAL, JUST *SURROUND* HIM!! THERE WERE A *HUNDRED* OF US!!

YEAH, BUT THAT DON'T MEAN WE WANNA DIE.

...I GUARANTEE YOU THREE...NO, *FIVE TIMES* THE BOUNTY, AND YOU'LL BE PUT IN CHARGE OF A HUNDRED MEN.

WHOEVER TAKES HIS HEAD... ... ...

YOU CALL YOURSELVES PROUD KNIGHTS OF CHUDER?!

WON'T ANYONE HERE GET REVENGE FOR *SAMSON*?!

WE'RE JUST MERCEN-ARIES, MAN.

SHOULD WE? *HE'S* THE ONE WHO WENT AND GOT HIMSELF KILLED.

MAYBE I OUGHTA LEAVE TOO.

F-FIVE TIMES. WHADDA YA THINK?

HEH, WHADDA *YOU* THINK I THINK...?

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ALL OF US AT *ONCE.*

YOU GO FIRST.

I BET HE CAN'T MOVE TOO WELL WITH THOSE WOUNDS... IF ABOUT FIVE OF US WERE TO TAKE HIM...

ALL TOGETHER NOW!

DIIIE!!!

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THAT'S HOW MERCEN-ARIES GET THINGS...

RIGHT, RIGHT.

DONE!

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SUERS!!
FOUR...
NO,
FIVE!

KIEEE!

BGO!

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HAH!
HAH!

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...YEAH!

Y...

I GOT--

HEH!

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HIS LEFT HAND IS *TOTALLY* MESSED UP! NOW HE WON'T BE ABLE TO SWING THAT RIDICULOUSLY BIG SWORD AROUND SO EASILY!

GOOD!

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NOW THIS'S GOTTEN *INTERESTING.*

...
CAN'T
...

NO
USE...

...CAN'T
RUN
ANY-
MORE!!

WHY
YOU!!

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YEAH!

-:GUH!:-

WOOP!

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BUT YOU STUCK IT TO A BUNCH OF OUR GUYS...

WE'LL PUT YOU OUTTA YOUR MISERY SOON ENOUGH,

YOU'VE CAUSED US A LOTTA TROUBLE, GIRLY.

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SO AS THANKS, WE'RE GONNA STICK IT TO *YOU* BEFORE YOU GO.

SO MUCH FUN YOU'LL THANK US.

DON'T LOOK THAT WAY. WE'RE GONNA GIVE YOU SOME FUN BEFORE YOU GO TO THE AFTERLIFE.

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...!!

HUHUH!

FRUS-TRATED?

...MY ARM.

I CAN'T EVEN SHOVE A CREEP LIKE HIM ASIDE.

...AGAIN ...

...BUT YOU'RE PRETTY CUTE IN THIS POSITION.

MAYBE YOU DO COMMAND A THOUSAND MEN...

I FEEL SO POWERLESS...!!

THIS WORTH-LESS PLACE.

IS THIS WHERE IT ENDS FOR YOU?

HERE...

DON'T THINK ABOUT BITIN' YOUR TONGUE.

!

IT'D BE *BORING* IF YOU DIED NOW.

...GO BACK.

GO TO YOUR SWORD MASTER.

HEHE HEH...

AH WELL, SHE'S *DESPERATE* NOW. THIS WON'T BE AS *EXCITIN'* IF SHE DON'T STRUGGLE A BIT.

HOW-EVER...

...I WON'T LET YOU HAVE YOUR *WAY* WITH ME *EITHER!*

OH?!

I WON'T BITE MY TONGUE.

WHAT?

YOU LITTLE ...!!

Y...

GYAHHH!!

Kyi.

Kyi.

THAT'S ABOUT FAR ENOUGH.

SO SHE WON'T COME CHEAP.

SHE'S THE ONLY WOMAN FOR US.

PREPARED FOR DEATH (3): END

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THE SUN'S GONNA COME UP BEFORE I FINISH SPLITTIN' YOUR HEADS.

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AI YI YI!

IM-IMPOSSIBLE!!

WITH ONE ARM...!! HE'S KILLED HALF OF A HUNDRED MEN!!

THIS ISN'T JUST A FLUKE!

THERE'S STILL THAT MANY LEFT?

WHAAAT?

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DON'T FALTER!!

HE CAN *BARELY* STAND NOW!! FALL UPON HIM ALL AT *ONCE*!!

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...!!

...RISKING MY LIFE SO CHEAPLY.

IN THIS DUMB PLACE...

WHAT THE HELL AM I DOING...?

NO, PROBABLY NOT...

IS IT FOR HER?

...NO TIME TO THINK.

RIGHT NOW...

...IS HOW TO CUT...

ALL THERE IS NOW...

THAT'S ALL.

HOW TO KILL...

AND THEN .....

EVEN THESE THOUGHTS WILL SLIP MY MIND IN TIME.

...THE BEAT OF MY HEART STILL REMAINS.

...ONLY...

READY

FIGHT

FOR THE DELAY.

HEH, SORRY ABOUT THAT.

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... H... HEY.

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IT TOOK AWHILE TO CONVINCE THE POWERS THAT BE...

EH?

HURRY ...

GUTS IS...

HURRY!!

...HE'S...

...HE STAYED BEHIND WITH ALL THE ENEMY...

SO I COULD GET AWAY, HE...

IF WE DON'T *HURRY* ...!!

HEY ...

THIS WAY, HURRY ...

GUTS ...?

WHAT HAPPEN-ED?

SOMEONE GIVE HER A HAND!

FORGET ABOUT THAT!!

COME ON!

RIGHT!

.....
.....

...BE IN TIME...

PLEASE BE IN TIME .....!!

HERE !!

OH, WOW.

...!!

Y...YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT? THERE'S ALMOST A HUNDRED CORPSES. HE COULDN'T HAVE ALL BY HIMSELF...?

!

...!!

GUTS ...!!

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HEY!!

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.....

H-HEY, THIS LOOKS BAD.

GUTS!!

DON'T SHAKE ME.

KEEP IT DOWN...

YOU'LL JUST MAKE THE WOUNDS WORSE...

GUTS!!

MOVE, MOVE!! CLEAR THE WAY!!

THAT BASTARD SURVIVED AFTER ALL. TALK ABOUT STUBBORN.

THEY'RE BACK!!

EMER-GENCY!!

OPEN A PATH!!

LEMME OFF! I'LL WALK!

YOU'RE EXAGGER-ATIN'!

...
...

YOU'LL HURT YOUR-SELF!

DON'T MOVE!

THIS'S A DIS-GRACE!

LOOK, YOU! I AIN'T A *RAGDOLL!*

HOW 'BOUT BEIN' A LITTLE CAREFUL!

I SAID "OW!"

OW.

OW.

AGGHH, STOP THAT!

YOU'RE IN BAD ENOUGH SHAPE AS IT IS!

IN OTHER WORDS, HE'S THROUGH FOR THIS CAMPAIGN.

BUT HE *MUST* REST.

KEH!

WHEWW. WHAT A FRIGHT-FUL MAN.

NORMALLY SOMEONE WITH THAT MANY WOUNDS SHOULD HAVE PASSED OUT LONG BEFORE NOW...

WELL, I DON'T SUPPOSE HIS LIFE IS IN DANGER...

HMM... HE'S A *TOUGH* ONE.

SO, HOW IS HE?

I'M FIGHTIN' TILL THE END OF THIS CAMPAIGN EVEN IF I HAFTA CRAWL!

SCREW YOU!

Y-YOU *DOLT!* IF YOU FOLLOW THROUGH WITH THAT...I CAN'T *GUARANTEE* YOUR SURVIVAL!

SURVIVAL *GUARANTEE?* WHAT THE HELL'S *THAT* GOT TO DO WITH WAR, ANYWAY?

I WON'T BE RESPON-SIBLE FOR THE OUTCOME!

ARGHH, FINE THEN!

DO AS YOU WILL!!

WELL IN ANY CASE, THANK GOODNESS YOU TWO WERE ABLE TO MAKE IT BACK SAFE AND SOUND.

SAFE AND SOUND HOW?

TCH!

...
...

OHHH.

HE LEFT THIS MORNING.

A WAR COUNCIL AT HEAD-QUARTERS.

BY THE WAY, WHERE'S GRIFFITH?

HE WON'T BE BACK UNTIL TOMOR-ROW.

I'M FINE.

MINE'S ...

...NOT AN INJURY.

CASCA.

YOU DON'T NEED TO BE TREATED?

AND JUST WHEN THESE TWO CAME BACK. BAD TIMING.

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Y'KNOW THOUGH, IT'S PRETTY COLD FOR EVEN BOSS GRIFFITH TO GO TO A WAR COUNCIL RIGHT NOW.

C-CUT IT OUT!

I GUESS WE'VE GOT CAPTAIN GUTS TO THANK THIS TIME AROUND.

OH YEAH, WE REALLY WEREN'T SURE WHAT WOULD HAPPEN FOR AWHILE THERE.

WE MUST HAVE *REALLY* WORRIED YOU ALL.

...GO BACK.

GO TO GRIF-FITH.

GO TO YOUR SWORD MASTER ...

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OH MAN... WE'RE *SO* RELIEVED, SIS!

CASCA.

WHAT?

I THOUGHT I'D TELL YOU SOME-THING...

COULD I SEE YOU FOR A BIT?

"I WILL NOT LOSE THEM."

"THOSE TWO ARE VITAL TO THE BAND OF THE HAWK."

WHEN GRIFFITH DECIDED TO SEND OUT A SEARCH PARTY TO FIND YOU TWO...

...THE NOBLES AROUND HIM STRONGLY OPPOSED HIS DECISION FOR VARIOUS REASONS.

...AND PLAINLY ...

BUT GRIFFITH SAID...

YEAH.

THAT'S A BIG DEAL, HIM SAYING ALL THAT.

TRUTH-FULLY, I WAS A TAD JEALOUS ...

GRIFFITH SAID THAT?

...POW-DER.

MEDI-CINE ...?

PUT SOME ON THE HERO OF THE HUN-DRED.

THEN THERE'S THIS.

ELF DUST.

HE WAS GOOD FOLK, AND THAT'S WHAT HE GAVE ME WHEN I WAS BADLY INJURED IN AN ACCIDENT.

THERE WAS THIS ELF IN A TRAVELING ENTERTAINMENT TROUPE I USED TO WORK FOR YEARS AGO.

DON'T SWEAT IT. IT'S A GOOD DEAL IF YOU THINK ABOUT IT, ONE BAG OF MEDICINE FOR A HUNDRED DEAD ENEMIES.

BUT SOME-THING SO VALU-ABLE...

BUT THEY *REALLY* EXIST.

WELL, I GUESS NOT TOO MANY PEOPLE BELIEVE IN THEM THESE DAYS...

IT'S TRUE.

ELF...? NO WAY...

I'VE ESCAPED DEATH EVEN ON THE BATTLEFIELD THANKS TO *THAT* STUFF. THAT'S THE *LAST* OF IT.

WHETHER YOU BELIEVE IN THEM OR NOT DOESN'T MATTER...JUST THAT THE POWDER IS *CERTIFIED EFFECTIVE.*

SHOWING A SOFT SIDE...

...HUH.

WHAT DO YOU SUPPOSE HAPPENED?

THANK YOU...

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JUDEAU.

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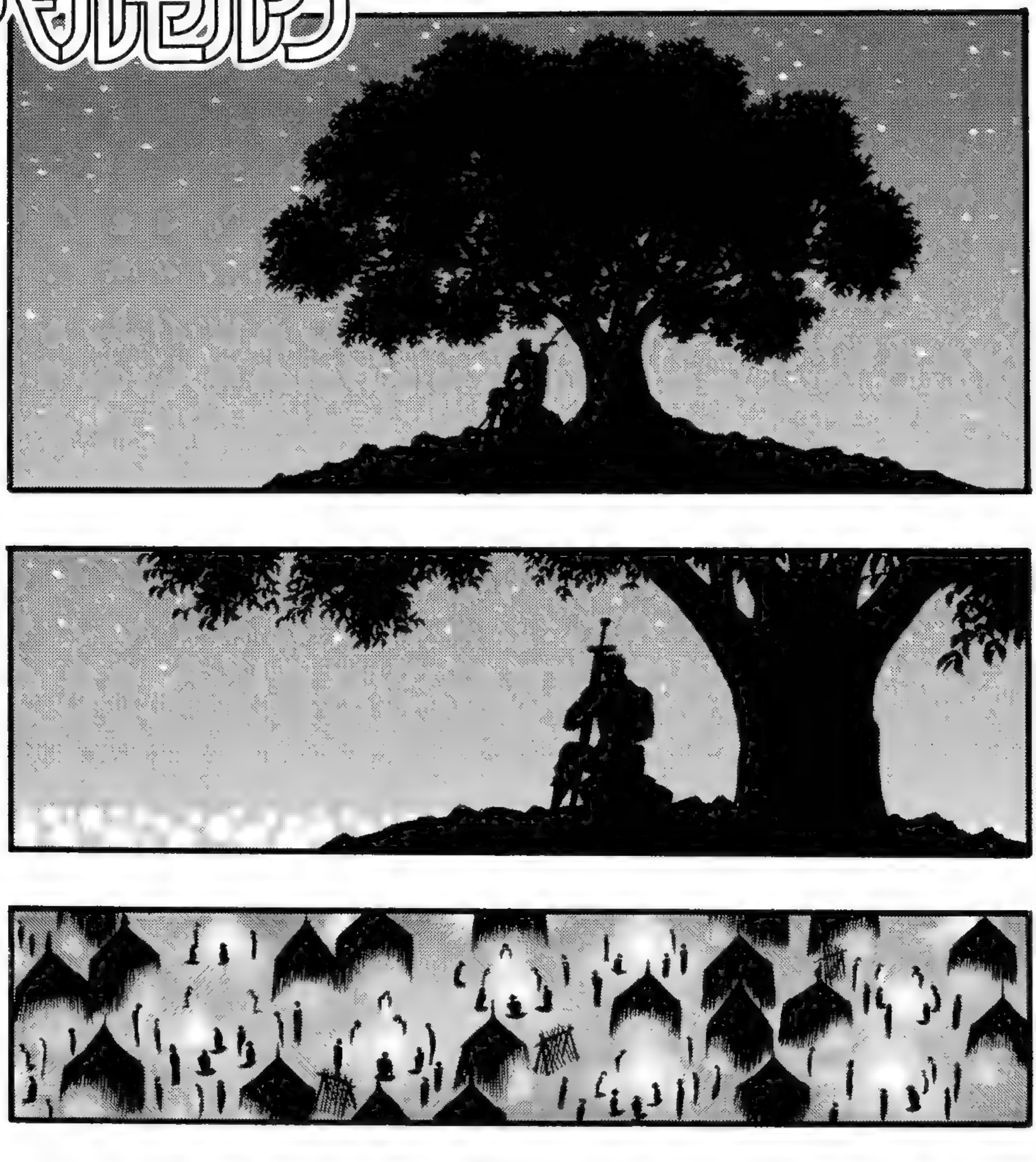

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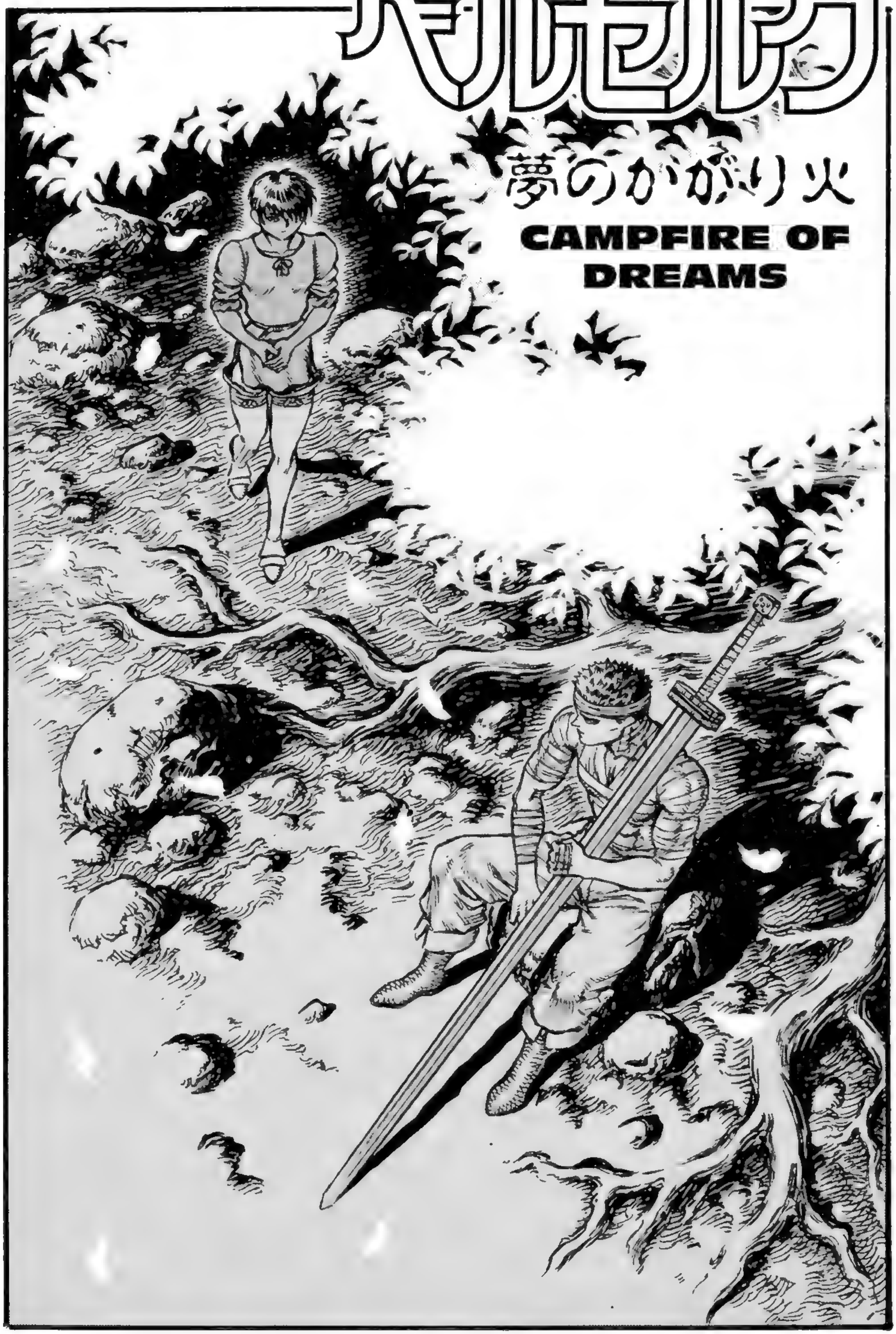

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I FEEL TOO HOT TO SLEEP. THIS WAS THE COOLEST PLACE.

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YOU NOT REST-ING ...?
IS THIS OKAY?

DON'T MOVE.

H- HEY.

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THE PAIN'S FADING?

WHAT'S *THIS* STUFF?

MYSTICAL HEALING ...

... MEDICINE HE SAID.

JUDEAU GAVE IT TO ME.

...
...

TURN AROUND.

C'MON!

HUH ...?

IT'S NOT SOMETHIN' YOU SHOULD WORRY ABOUT.

IT WASN'T REALLY FOR YOUR SAKE. FIGHTIN' IS MORE MY NATURE THAN RUNNIN' AWAY.

THAT WAS SOME-THIN' I DID ON MY OWN.

...YOU FOUGHT CLOSE TO A HUN-DRED ENEMIES?

JUST BECAUSE IT'S YOUR NATURE...

...AND I THOUGHT THIS THEN, TOO...

...TO BE BLUNT ...

BUT STILL...

...YEAH.

I WAS SO INTO SWINGIN' MY SWORD THAT I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM, THOUGH.

BESIDES, I HAD A SCORE TO SETTLE WITH THAT DUDE.

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...ME FIGHTIN' WITH A HUNDRED MEN... DOESN'T REALLY MATTER...

COMPARED TO WHAT YOU'RE DOING...

I THINK THAT KINDA THING'S AMAZING...

HE'S GOT SOMETHING HE'D BET HIS *ENTIRE* LIFE ON.....

IT AIN'T JUST YOU.

GRIFFITH'S THE SAME WAY...

...COMPARED TO THAT...

...IT WOULDN'T *REALLY* BE ANY BIG DEAL. THAT'S WHAT I THOUGHT.

...IF I WERE TO GO OUT AND FIGHT A HUNDRED OR A THOUSAND MEN...

GUTS...

YEAH.

WHAT A NICE VIEW.

...SO WHEN I LOOK OUT THERE...

...IT'S LIKE EACH ONE OF THOSE LIGHTS...

...CONTAINS TINY DREAMS AND HOPES...

THAT'S THE WAY IT LOOKS...

HE'S MY SECOND-IN-COMMAND ...

Y'KNOW, GASTON...

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THE ARMY'S NOT REALLY GASTON'S THING...

ONCE THE WAR'S OVER, HE PLANS TO OPEN A CLOTHING SHOP IN DOWNTOWN WINDHAM WITH MONEY HE'S SAVED UP.

HE'S MORE SKILLED THAN HE LOOKS.

HE SWEARS HE'LL GET PROMOTED TO LEADING A HUNDRED MEN SOON AND PROPOSE AGAIN. HE DOESN'T CARE HOW RISKY IT'LL BE IN BATTLE. WELL, I GUESS EVERYONE'S STAKED THEM-SELVES ON LOST CAUSES.

NICHOLE PROPOSED TO A WOMAN, BUT SHE REFUSED BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T WANT TO BE WITH A COMMON SOLDIER.

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YOU SOUND LIKE SOME PRIN-CESS.

YOU SMOOTH TALKER.

CAN IT.

CAMPFIRE OF DREAMS...

...HUH.

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YOU'RE RIGHT.

BUT ...

MAYBE THEY'VE ALL BROUGHT THEIR *OWN* INDIVIDUAL LITTLE FLAMES TOGETHER HERE.

YOU COULD SCATTER THEM JUST BY BLOWING, SO ALL THOSE LITTLE FLAMES ...

...THROW THEM-SELVES INTO THE BIGGEST BONFIRE.

THE BLAZING INFERNO ...

...NAMED GRIFFITH.

...MY FLAME AIN'T HERE.

...
...

BUT Y'KNOW ...

AS FOR ME...

.....
.....

...BY THAT CAMPFIRE FOR A BIT.

MAYBE I JUST STOPPED IN BY CHANCE.

...MAYBE I'M JUST WARMING MYSELF...

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...GUTS.

BUT STILL...

...IT DON'T REALLY MEAN MUCH.

THE MERCENARY LEADER WHO RAISED ME TAUGHT ME NOTHING BEYOND HOW TO WIELD A SWORD.

I WAS ON THE BATTLE-FIELD BEFORE I WAS OLD ENOUGH TO UNDER-STAND THINGS.

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I HAD NOTHIN' BUT *THIS!*

AS LONG...

...AS I HAVE THIS, I'M *CONFIDENT* I CAN SURVIVE ANY BATTLE.

THAT'S HOW IT'S BEEN UP TILL NOW.

LIKE THIS TIME...

EVEN BEFORE I JOINED THE BAND OF THE HAWK...NO MATTER HOW *BADLY* THE BATTLE WAS LOST, I MYSELF WAS SURE TO SURVIVE.

BUT JUST BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT TO DIE...JUST BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW MORE THAN HOW TO USE THIS...

I *DON'T* WANNA DIE...

...I *KEPT* FIGHTING IN BATTLES.

...TO LEAVE THE MOST ESSENTIAL REASON FOR FIGHTIN' UP TO OTHER PEOPLE.

AND MAYBE...

...MORE THAN ANYTHING, I'VE ALWAYS TRIED...

YOU...

GUTS...

WHAT WAS I *RAMBLIN'* ABOUT?

AH HELL, *TOO MUCH* TALKIN' FOR ME.

...

HEH.

...

...

BACK AT YOU...

?!

PATHETIC.

AND WHY THE HELL'D I TELL *YOU* ALL THAT?

DON'T...

...TELL ME YOU'RE...

YOU DON'T *MEAN* ...!

GUTS.

...LEAVING THE HAWKS?

AFTER-WARDS .....

...AND THEN ...

...I'M FIGHTIN' TILL THE END OF THIS CAMPAIGN, EVEN IF I HAVE TO CRAWL.

LIKE I SAID...

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GUTS!! CASCA!!

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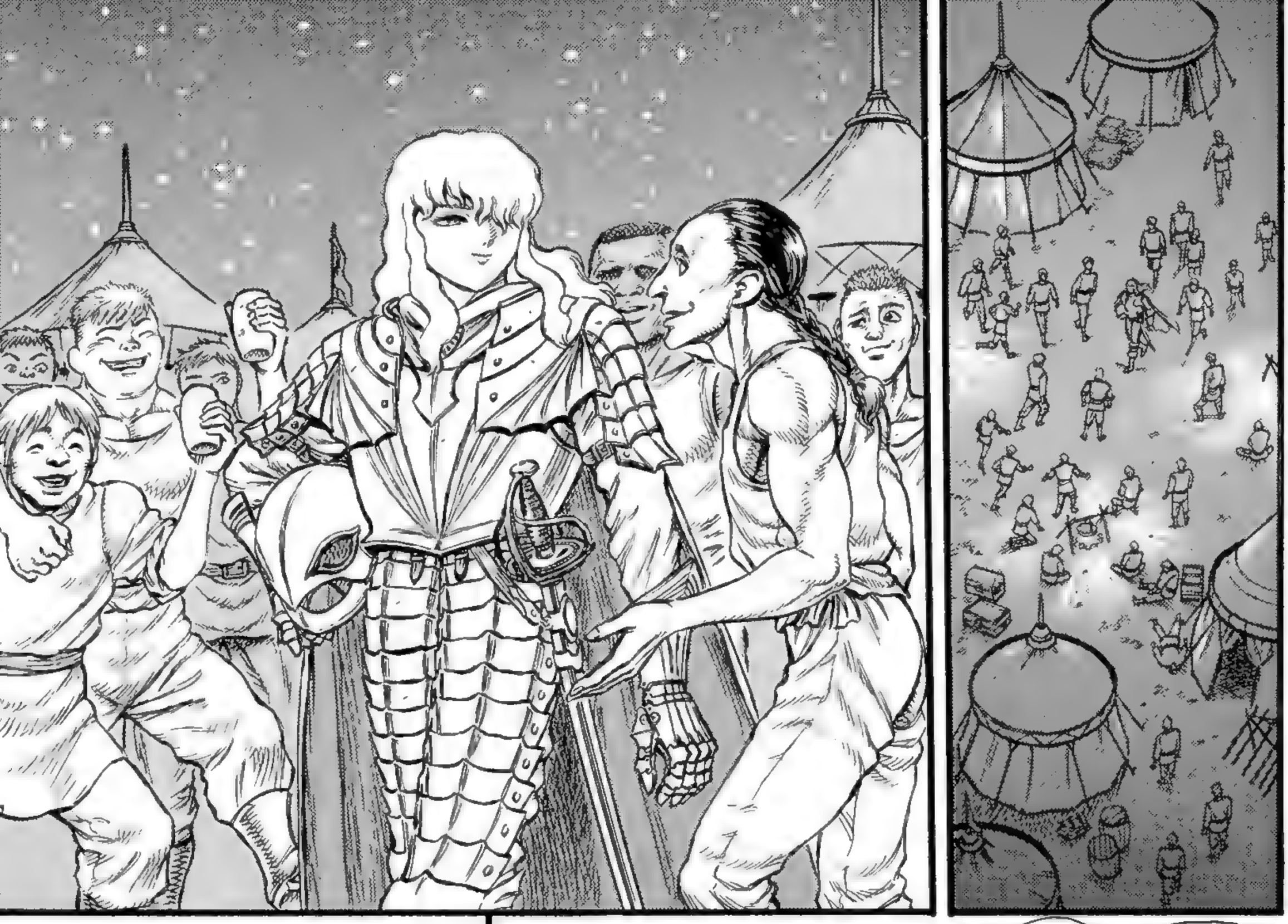
HE SAID HE HEARD YOU TWO WERE SAFE AND ADVANCED HIS SCHEDULE A DAY!

GRIFFITH'S COME BACK!!



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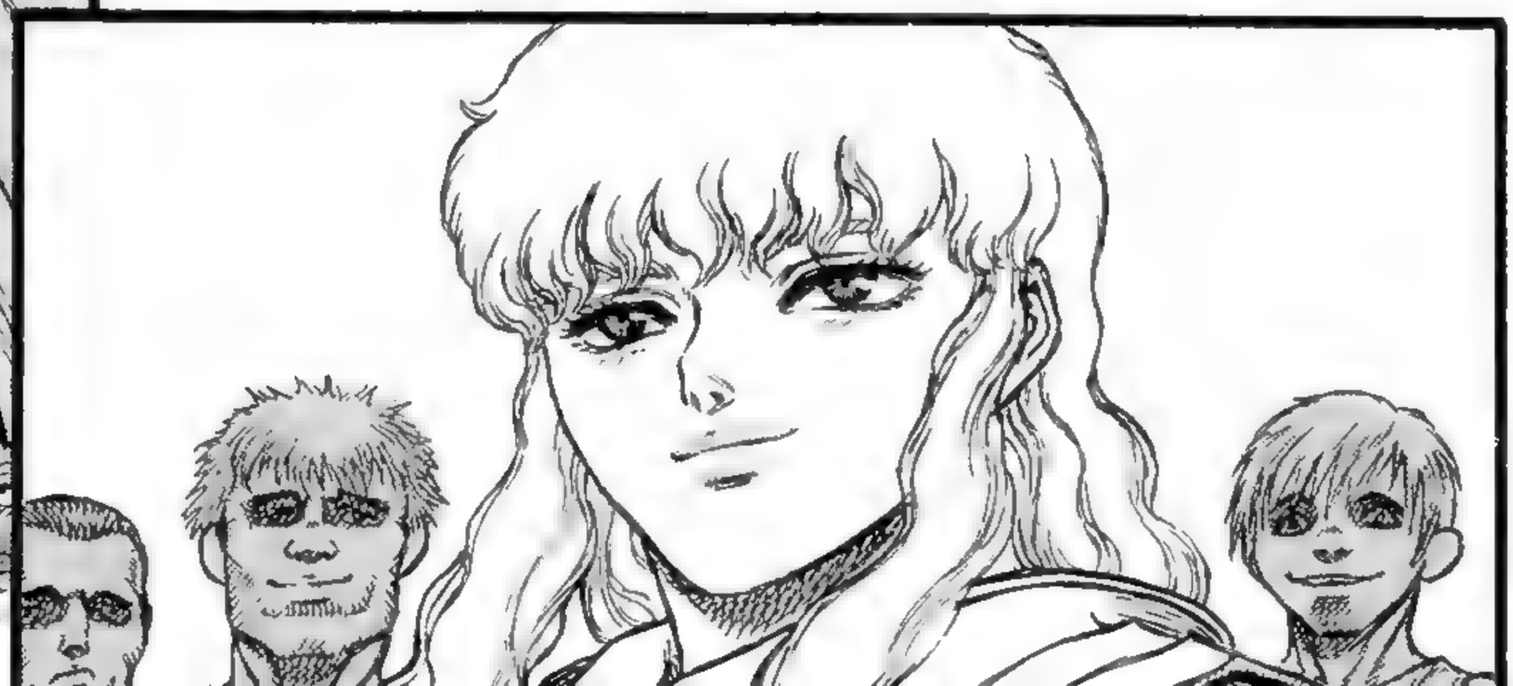
CAPTAIN GUTS.
CAPTAIN.



DOING SO EXPOSED THE MEN OF MY UNIT TO DANGER. NOT JUST THEM, EITHER. GUTS AND HIS RAIDERS, TOO...

PUSHING MYSELF WHEN I WASN'T WELL AND GOING TO THE FRONT WAS MY MISTAKE.

I'M SORRY, GRIFFITH. EVERYONE HAD TO DEAL WITH A MESS BECAUSE OF ME.

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I'M NOT *QUALIFIED* TO BE A COMMANDER!!

WHATEVER PUNISHMENT YOU--

WHA-- WHAT WAS THAT FOR...

...JERK?!

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KYA

WELCOME BACK.

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C'MON, LET'S GO TOSS ONE BACK.

UH, YOU'RE REALLY UP TO IT, CAPTAIN?

ALRIIIIGHT!

WAHA HAHA

COMMANDER, ME TOO, ME TOO!

WAS HE...

...SERIOUS?

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CELE-BRATE THE HUNDRED-MAN KILL, EH?

BUT HEY, WHO CARES?

THE BOOZE'LL DISINFECT ME, MORON.

...
...

EH?

NAH ...

WHAT'S WRONG?

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CHUDER EMPIRE STRONG-HOLD OF DOLDREY

WHAT NOW?!

REPORT-ING!!

IT CAN'T BE!!

...!

THEY'RE CHARGING IN THE DIRECTION OF OUR HEAD-QUART-ERS!!

ROUGHLY A THOUSAND RIDERS FROM THE MAIN GATE OF THE ENEMY FORT-RESS!!

..BE SO EASILY... DOLDREY ...IT'S NIGH IM-PREGN-ABLE...!!

HOW COULD THIS BE?! HOW COULD THE WHITE TIGER KNIGHTS, ONE OF MIDLAND'S TWO GREATEST FORCES...

A MESS-AGE!!

HNNN ...

THE ONLY UNWOUNDED MEN LEFT ARE AT HEADQUARTERS!!

REPORTING!! OUR ARMY'S CASUALTIES ARE VERY HIGH!!

THE HOLY PURPLE RHINO KNIGHTS!!

CHUDER'S MOST POWERFUL KNIGHTS...!!

CAMPFIRE OF DREAMS: END

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THE FORTRESS OF DOLDREY ORIGINALLY BELONGED TO US FOR SEVERAL HUNDRED YEARS AND WAS PIVOTAL IN THE DEFENSE OF OUR BORDER.

AS ALL OF YOU ARE AWARE, THIS *HUNDRED YEAR WAR* WAS INITIATED BY CHUDER'S INVASION INTO OUR KINGDOM'S TERRITORY.

BUT IN THE HUNDRED YEARS SINCE IT HAS FALLEN INTO CHUDER HANDS, IRONICALLY IT HAS BECOME THE MOST IMPORTANT BASE OF OPERATIONS FOR THEIR INVASION AGAINST US.

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THE BATTLE FOR DOLDREY, CHAPTER 1

SURELY THIS IS A ONE-IN-A-THOUSAND CHANCE FOR US!

WHATEVER MILITARY MIGHT THE EMPIRE BOASTS, THEY SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO SPARE THEIR FULL POTENTIAL FOR THIS BATTLE!

HOWEVER, CHUDER IS CURRENTLY UNDERGOING A SUDDEN CRISIS OF INTERNAL CONFLICT OVER THE NEXT SUCCESSION TO THE THRONE!

...OUR LAND WILL *NEVER* BE RECAPTURED!!

IF WE LET THIS OPPORTUNITY SLIP AWAY, DOLDREY...

WHAT'S MORE, THE MAIN OCCUPYING FORCE IS THE MIGHTIEST OF CHUDER'S KNIGHT CORPS, LED BY THE VALIANT *GENERAL BOSCOGN!*

THE HOLY PURPLE RHINO KNIGHTS!!

B-BUT HOW DO YOU *PRO-POSE?*

CERTAINLY DOLDREY IS *IMPENE-TRABLE!*

TOTAL WARFARE...

SO IT'S THE *ONLY* CHOICE...

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NOT TO MENTION THAT THE *WHITE TIGER KNIGHTS*, ONE OF *MIDLAND'S* TWO GREATEST FORCES, COULD NOT TAKE THE FORTRESS...WHAT A BITTER DAY OF DEFEAT!!

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MOREOVER, IF THE SIEGE DRAGS OUT, THE INEVITABLE RESULT WILL BE A PINCER ATTACK BY THE ENEMY WHEN THEIR MAIN FORCE FLANKS US!

IF WE AREN'T CAREFUL, WE COULD BE *WIPED OUT!*

THAT IS *PERILOUS!!*

IN THE CURRENT CAMPAIGN, THE PRIMARY FORCE OF THE WHITE TIGER KNIGHTS HAS ALREADY BEEN REDUCED BY ALMOST FOUR TENTHS! THERE IS NO *GUARANTEE* THAT EVEN *ALL-OUT WAR* WOULD CAUSE DOLDREY TO FALL!

BUT...NOW THAT WE'VE LOST THE WHITE TIGER KNIGHTS, WHO--?

IF WE LOOK AT IT OVERALL, THIS CAMPAIGN IS A *VICTORY!* IS THERE REALLY ANY REASON FOR US TO PURSUE SUCH A DANGEROUS GAMBIT?

IF WE WITHDRAW HERE AND NOW...

NO! ALL THE TROOPS WE'VE ALREADY DEPLOYED WOULD HAVE BEEN IN VAIN! THE FINAL OBJECTIVE OF THIS CAMPAIGN HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE CAPTURE OF *DOLDREY!* FAILING THAT, THERE'S *NO CHANCE* OF RECLAIMING OUR TERRITORY!

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HOWEVER MUCH OF A GODSEND YOU'RE CONSIDERED ON THE BATTLEFIELD, THERE ARE SOME THINGS ONE CAN'T DO...

...EH?

I JEST, OF COURSE.

THE VICTOR THAT YOU ARE, DO YOU THINK THERE'S ANYTHING YOU COULD DO *THIS* TIME?

HOW ABOUT YOU, SIR GRIF-FITH?

IF I WERE SO ORDERED.

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...SO ORDERED ME.

IF HIS *MAJESTY*...

YOU COULD *TOPPLE* DOLDREY?

BY *YOU*, SIR...?!

YOU SAY IT COULD BE *DONE*?!

N-NON-SENSE!!

COUNTLESS DISTINGUISHED COMMANDERS AND GREAT GENERALS HAVE ACCEPTED THE CHALLENGE AND NOT *ONE* OF THEM HAS BEEN ABLE TO RECAPTURE DOLDREY!!

NOW, YOU SAY YOU CAN?!

LISTEN TO ME! DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW MANY TIMES IN THE PAST HUNDRED YEARS THAT FORTRESS HAS GONE UNDAUNTED DESPITE OUR CONSTANT EFFORTS TO CAPTURE IT?!

Y... YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING.

...HA

...HA HA...

SIR GRIFFITH.

I WOULDN'T DOUBT IT...

PERHAPS IT'S GONE TO HIS *HEAD* A BIT, *HMM?*

NEVER LOST A BATTLE .....

WAS THAT *SINCERE?*

YOU CANNOT MEAN YOU *BELIEVE* HIM?!

THEN EVEN *YOU* WOULD--!!

M... *MAJESTY!!*

THIS IS *RECKLESS!!* NO MATTER HOW MUCH SIR GRIFFITH MIGHT--!!

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IF WE FAIL THIS TIME, THE DAMAGE DONE TO OUR ARMY WOULD BE...

NOT EVEN THE WHITE TIGER KNIGHTS *COULD* ACCOMPLISH THIS!! WHATEVER THE STRATEGY, AN ASSAULT ON THAT FORTRESS IS IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT A *GREAT* FORCE OF ARMS!!

I WILL REQUIRE ONLY **THE BAND OF THE HAWK.**

THERE IS NO NEED FOR A LARGE FORCE.

DON'T THINK YOUR CLEVER LITTLE PLANS WILL WORK FOREVER!!

DON'T PUSH YOUR LUCK, YOUNG MAN!! THE MAIN PATH OF STRATEGY IS CONSISTENTLY TO CONFRONT *LESS* WITH *MORE*!!

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WITH AT MOST FIVE THOUSAND CAVALRY ...

LUDI-CROUS!!

...YOU WOULD TAKE ON THE FORTRESS' OCCUPYING FORCE OF *THIRTY THOUSAND*?!

BEFORE THAT, ALLOWING A SINGLE FORCE TO ATTEMPT A *"CLEVER PLAN"* SHOULD NOT HAVE ANY SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE MORALE OF THE ENTIRE ARMY.

AT THIS POINT IT SEEMS WHATEVER PATH WE CHOOSE WE HAVE NO OPTION BUT TOTAL WARFARE.

COME, WHY DON'T WE ALLOW THIS TO PASS WITHOUT MAKING SUCH A FUSS, GENERAL?

YOUR DECISION.

MAJESTY.

NOTHING SAYS THERE IS NO CHANCE THIS CAN...

BESIDES, UNTIL NOW THERE HAVE BEEN MANY GROUPS OF ENEMIES OUT-NUMBERING THEM THAT WERE *YET DEFEATED* BY THE BAND OF THE HAWK.

DOLDREY ISN'T SO *SOFT* A TARGET!!

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THE BAND OF THE HAWK TO CAPTURE DOLDREY!

I COMMAND...

AND HIS MAJESTY'S GONE SENILE!

RELYING SO MUCH ON SUCH A BOYISH NEWCOMER LIKE HIM.....THE DIGNITY OF MIDLAND'S ARMY HAS FALLEN TO THE GROUND!

HAA!

I SUPPOSE THAT'S HOW IT WOULD FEEL TO LOSE YOUR OWN FORCES...

AH, WELL.

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...SIR LABAN.

YOU REALLY SEEM TO HAVE BOUGHT INTO THE WHITE HAWK...

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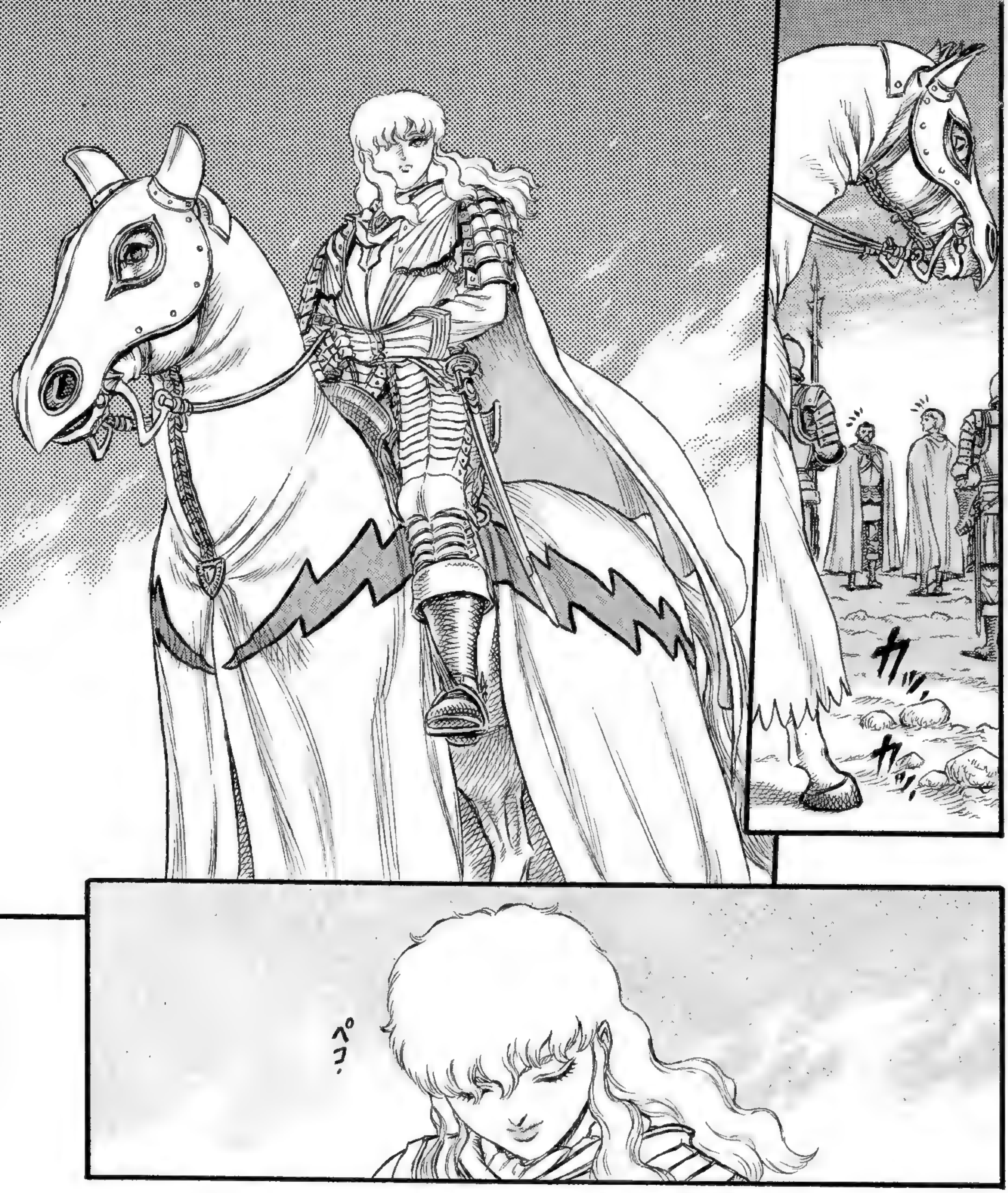
COME, I SIMPLY STATED THE TRUTH AS IT STANDS, *SIR OWEN.*

NOW TO SEE WHETHER OR NOT HE LIVES UP TO YOUR EXPECTATIONS *THIS* TIME.

BESIDES, IF HE CAN'T DO IT...

CERTAIN-LY...

...I DOUBT THERE'S ANYONE IN MIDLAND WHO *CAN* TAKE DOLDREY.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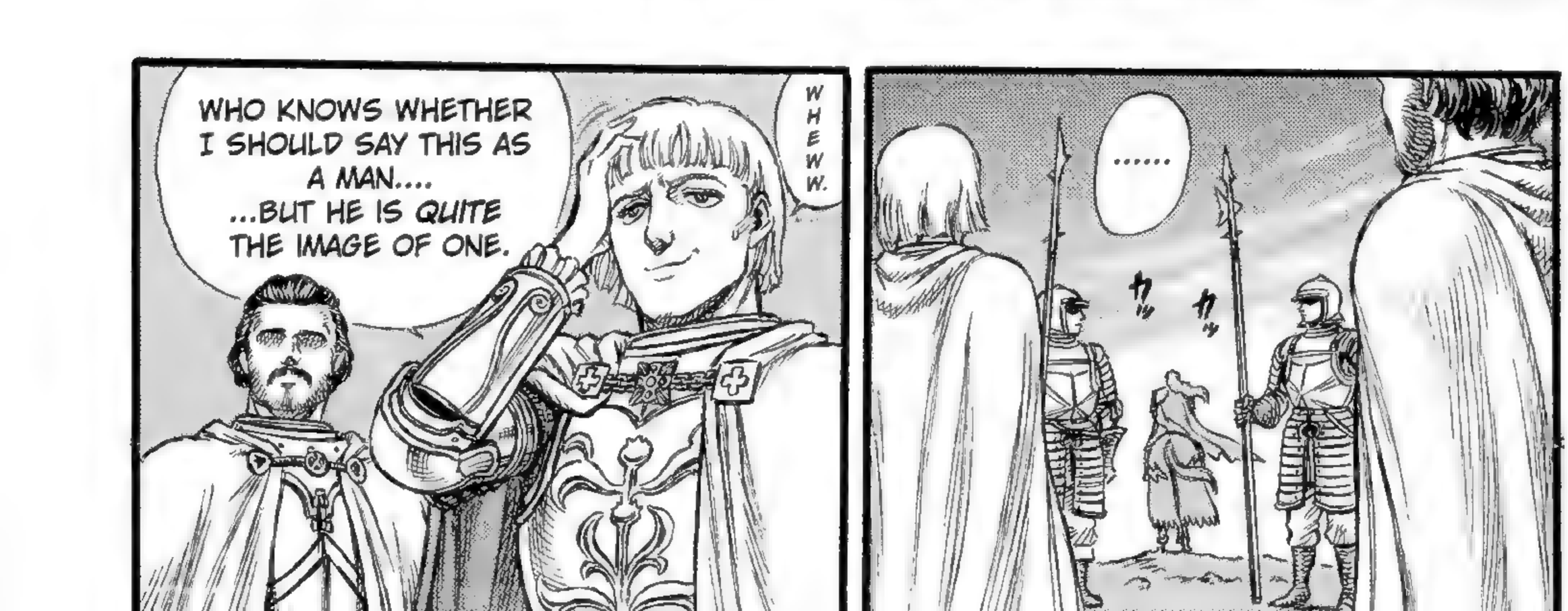
WHO KNOWS WHETHER I SHOULD SAY THIS AS A MAN.... ...BUT HE IS QUITE THE IMAGE OF ONE.
WHEWW.
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HUH?

DISTINGUISHED COMMANDERS...

...FIGHTING ALONGSIDE...

WE MIGHT BE...

...THE *HERO* OF THE *CENTURY.*

DOLDREY, HUH...?

THIN

GAHHH... AGAIN?!

THE CAPTAIN WINS ALL...

TEN IN A ROW...

FIGHTIN' AND GAMBLIN'... WHEN YOU WIN, YOU WIN, WHEN YOU LOSE, YOU LOSE. AAAAAND... FIVE AND TWO: HAN!*

NO WAY...

WHO CARES?

IT'S A PLACE.

*THE SOLDIERS ARE PLAYING A GAME CALLED *HAN CHOU BAKUCHI*. TWO DICE ARE ROLLED. IF THEIR TOTAL COMES UP ODD IT'S HAN, AND IF EVEN IT'S *CHOU*.

WHAT'S UP? YOU GOT SOMETHING ON YOUR MIND?

HUH? NO.

THREE MONTHS' WAGES .....

I'VE GOT SOME *WICKED* BAD LUCK.

MR. CALM AND COMPOSED HIMSELF *VOLUNTEERED* FOR THIS. THE ODDS MUST BE IN OUR FAVOR, *RIGHT?*

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DOOON'T WORRRY. WE'VE DONE STUFF LIKE THIS SO MANY TIMES ALREADY.

THAT DOES IT!! I AIN'T GIVIN' UP TILL I *BREAK EVEN!!*

WHAT?

...HE STAYS CALM AND COMPOSED.

I JUST HOPE...

HOW THE HAWKS GOT INVOLVED IN A TERRITORIAL DISPUTE A LONG TIME AGO.....

HAN.

WHAT I TOLD YOU THAT TIME.

MY LIFE FOR A CHOU!!

YOU BET YOUR ASS, CHOU!!

COME ON, CHOU!!

HEY, DON'T TELL ME...

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RIGHT.

HE'S SUPREME COMMAN-DER...

...ON THE FRONT LINES FOR A CERTAIN EMPIRE.

...HAS PROMOTED HIMSELF BY WAY OF HIS FINANCIAL ASSETS.

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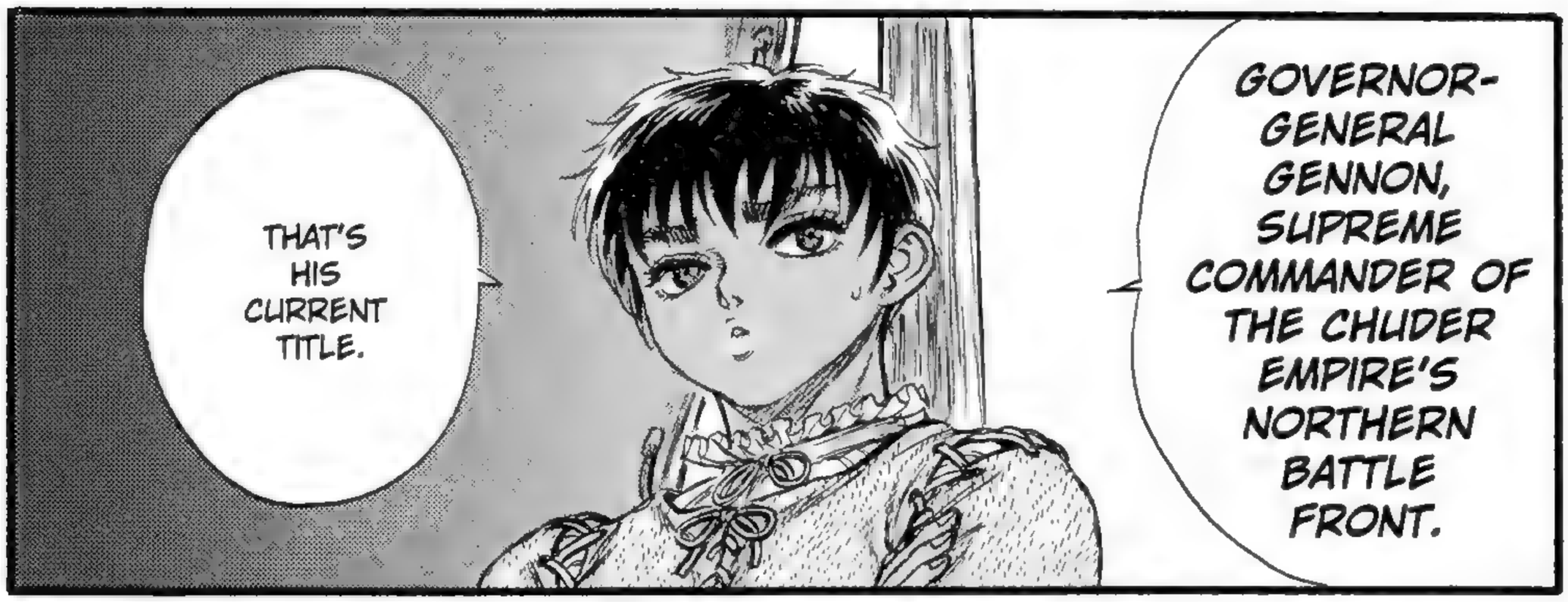
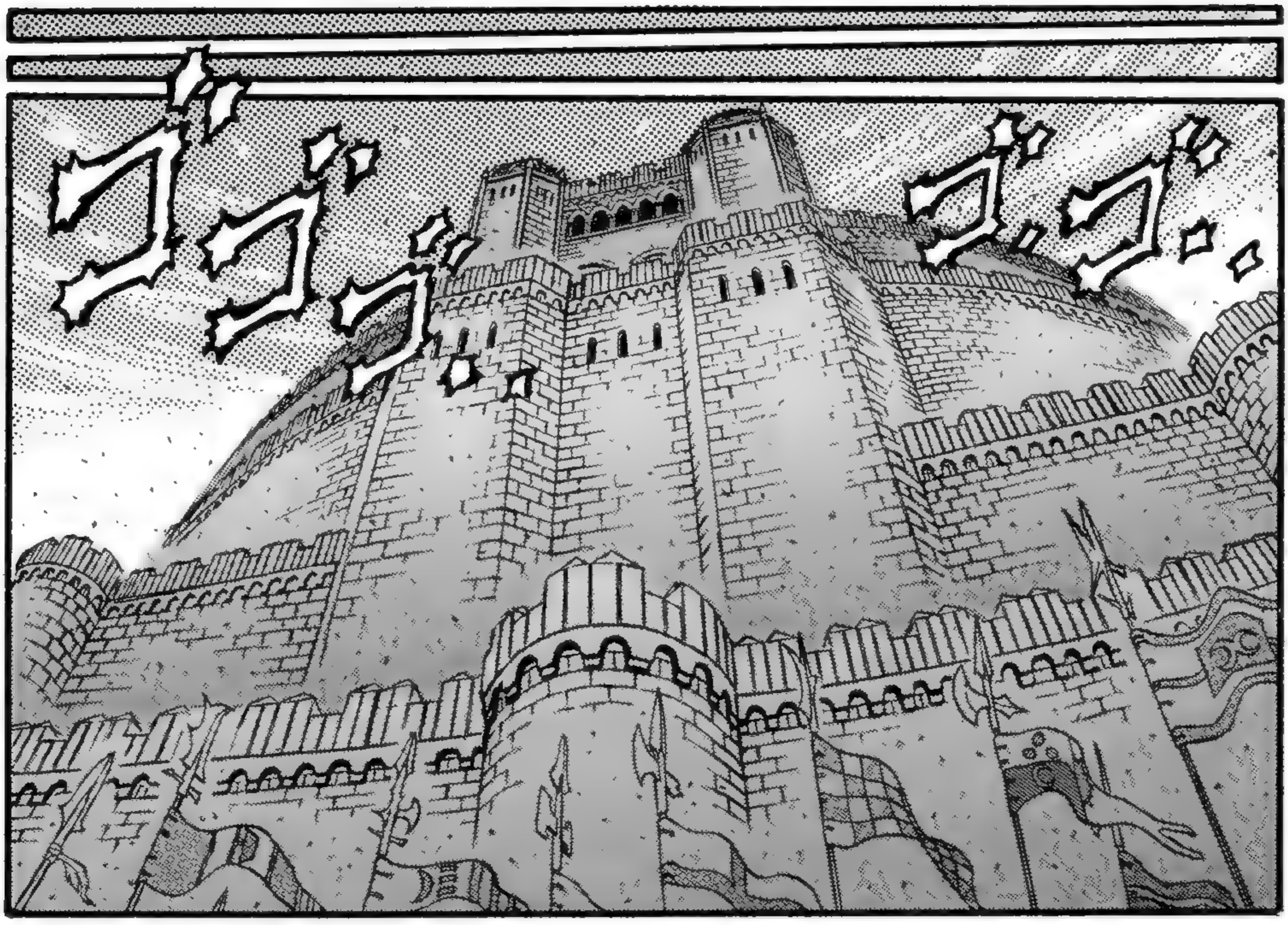

THAT'S HIS CURRENT TITLE.
GOVERNOR-GENERAL GENNON, SUPREME COMMANDER OF THE CHUDER EMPIRE'S NORTHERN BATTLE FRONT.



NATU-RALLY!!

BUT NO INJURIES AT ALL.

WOULD I BE BEATEN THAT EASILY?!

NWAHA HA HA HA HA HA... THAT'S WHY THEY CALL ME ADON, THE INVINCIBLE RESOURCEFUL GENERAL!!

YOU'RE DEFINITELY TENACIOUS.

WHO SAID THAT?

...HE WON'T ESCAPE ME!!

GAHH!

BUT STILL, THAT BRAT!! THE NEXT TIME WE MEET IN BATTLE...

WITH THE SECRET TECHNIQUE PASSED DOWN THROUGH MY COBORLWITZ FAMILY FOR SEVEN HUNDRED YEARS, KASSATSU JIZAI (PLAYING DEAD) AT MY DISPOSAL, I HAD NO TROUBLE DECEIVING HIS EYES!!

...YOUR GRACE, GENERAL BOSCOGN!!

WHY, IT'S...

FOR SHAME, ADON.

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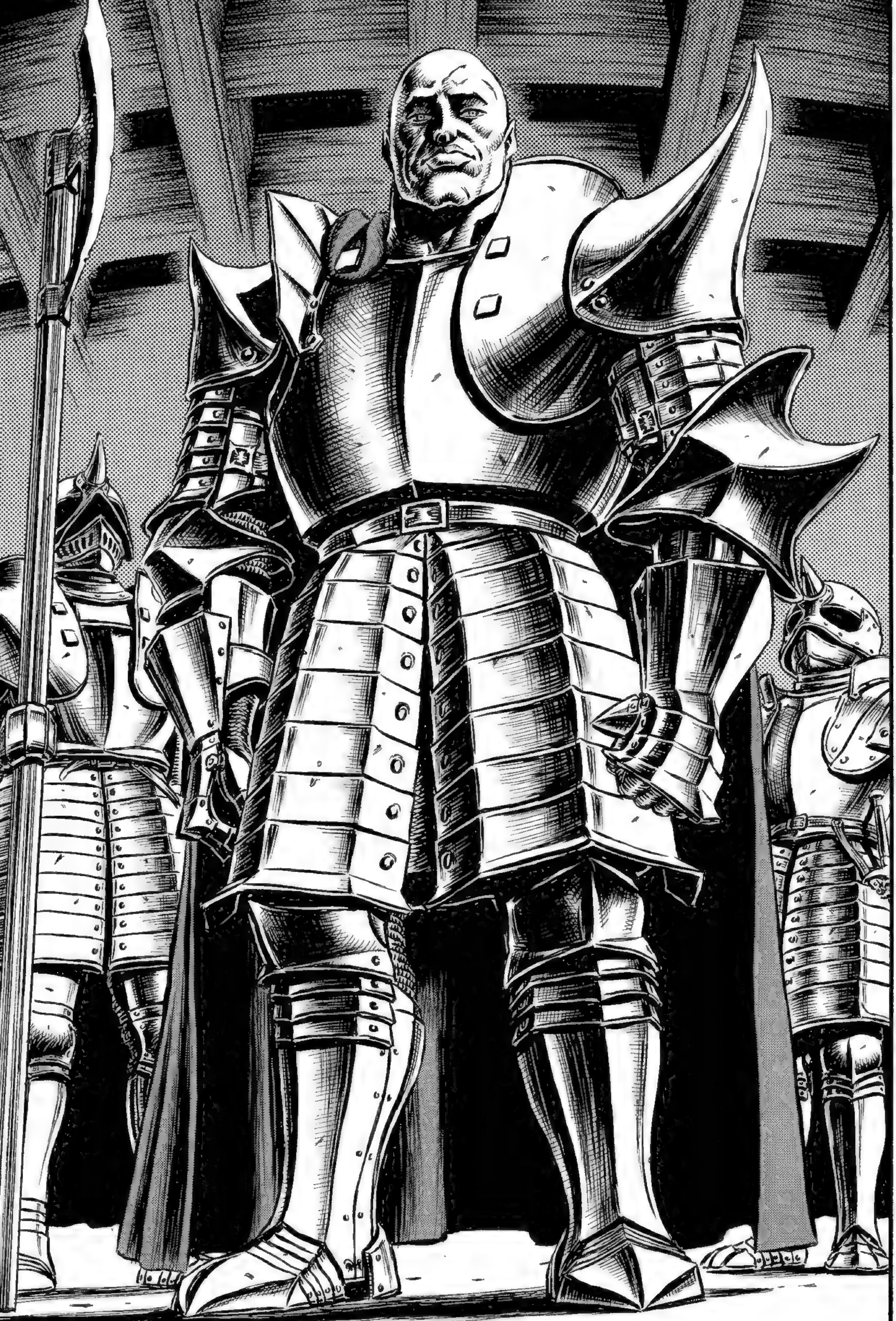

...BUT YOUR YOUNGER BROTHER SAMSON LOST HIS LIFE, AND YOU DARE TO RETURN ALONE IN DISHONOR...

NOT ONLY HAVE YOU SUFFERED THE DISGRACE OF LEADING AN ENTIRE MERCENARY TROOP TO THEIR DEATHS FOR THE SAKE OF SETTLING A GRUDGE...

EEE?!

INEXCUS-ABLE!!

THAT WAS JUST--

N-NO, YOUR GRACE.

EAT SHIT!!
I HEREBY REVOKE ALL COMMAND AUTHORITY FROM YOU FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE WAR!!
JUST BE THANKFUL I'M NOT CASTING YOU INTO THE DUNGEON!!
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...SIR ADON!!
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BUT THAT CAN'T BE...

THE REPORTS SAY THAT HIS ADVER-SARY WAS JUST ONE MAN...

SIR!!

PLEASE WAIT FOR US!!

I HEARD YOU FROM UP HERE.

SEVERE AS ALWAYS.

...JUST CAME IN REGARDING THE SECOND FORCE ATTEMPTING TO CAPTURE DOLDREY.

THAT ASIDE, A SPY REPORT...

SIR?

FORGIVE THAT MOMENTARY INDIGNITY.

THE BAND OF THE HAWK...

YOU KNOW THEM AS WELL, YES?

WELL, NOW...

OHO.

THEY SEEM MORE CHALLENGING THAN ENEMIES OF GREAT NUMBER OR FAME.

I HAVE SIMPLY HEARD THAT THE BAND OF THE HAWK HAS NEVER BEEN DEFEATED.

YOU SEEM PLEASED?

NO.

IT IS NOT THAT.

HMM...

...AND BRING HIM BE-FORE ME.

TAKE HIM ALIVE ...

...YOU MUSTN'T KILL HIM.

THE LEADER OF THE HAWKS, *THE WHITE HAWK*...

BUT SIR, WHAT--?

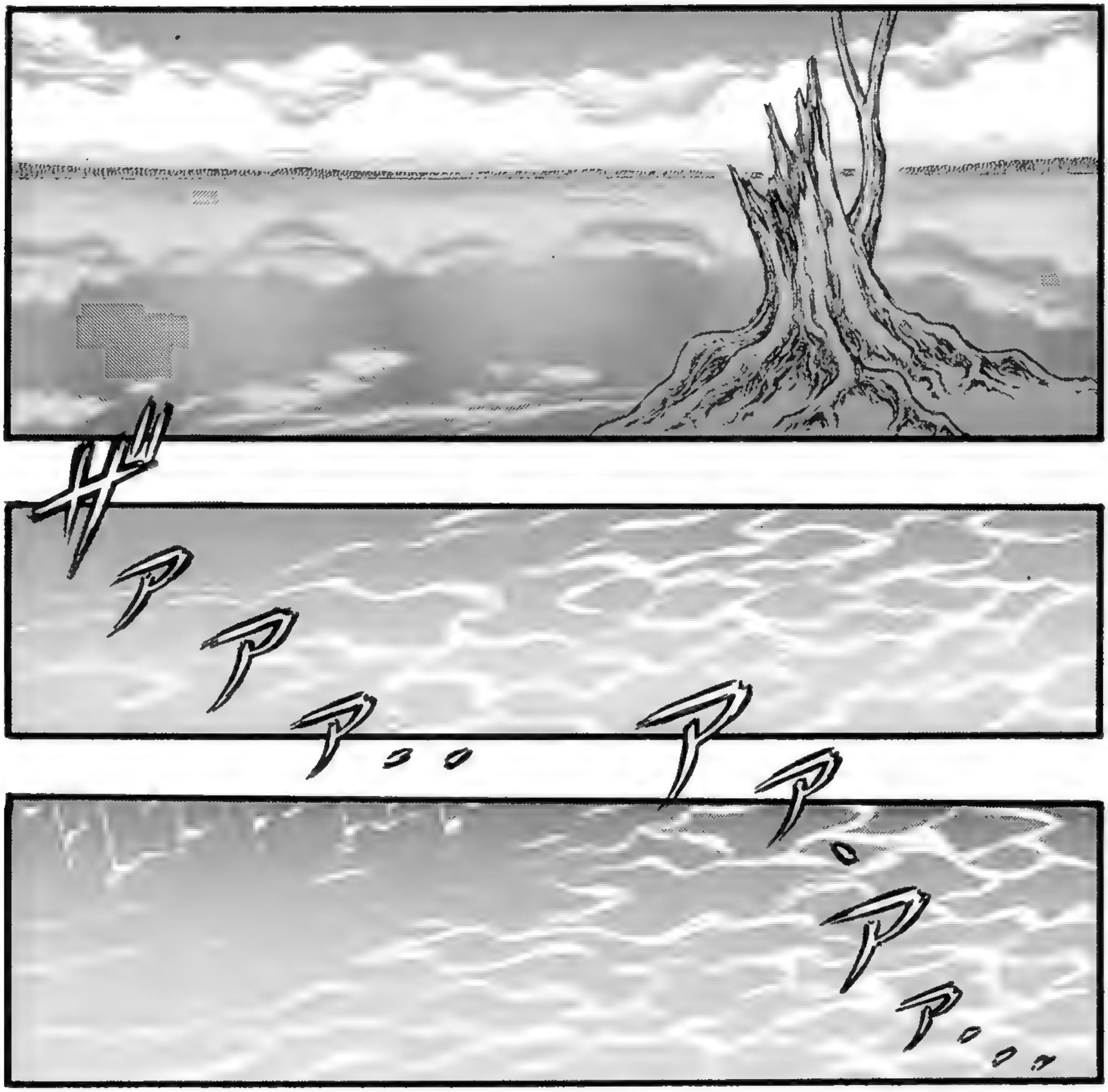
YES.

SIR?

BY THE WAY... THERE'S SOMETHING I MUST TELL YOU BEFORE THE BATTLE BEGINS.

IT'S YOUR GOVERNOR'S COMMAND.

AM I CLEAR?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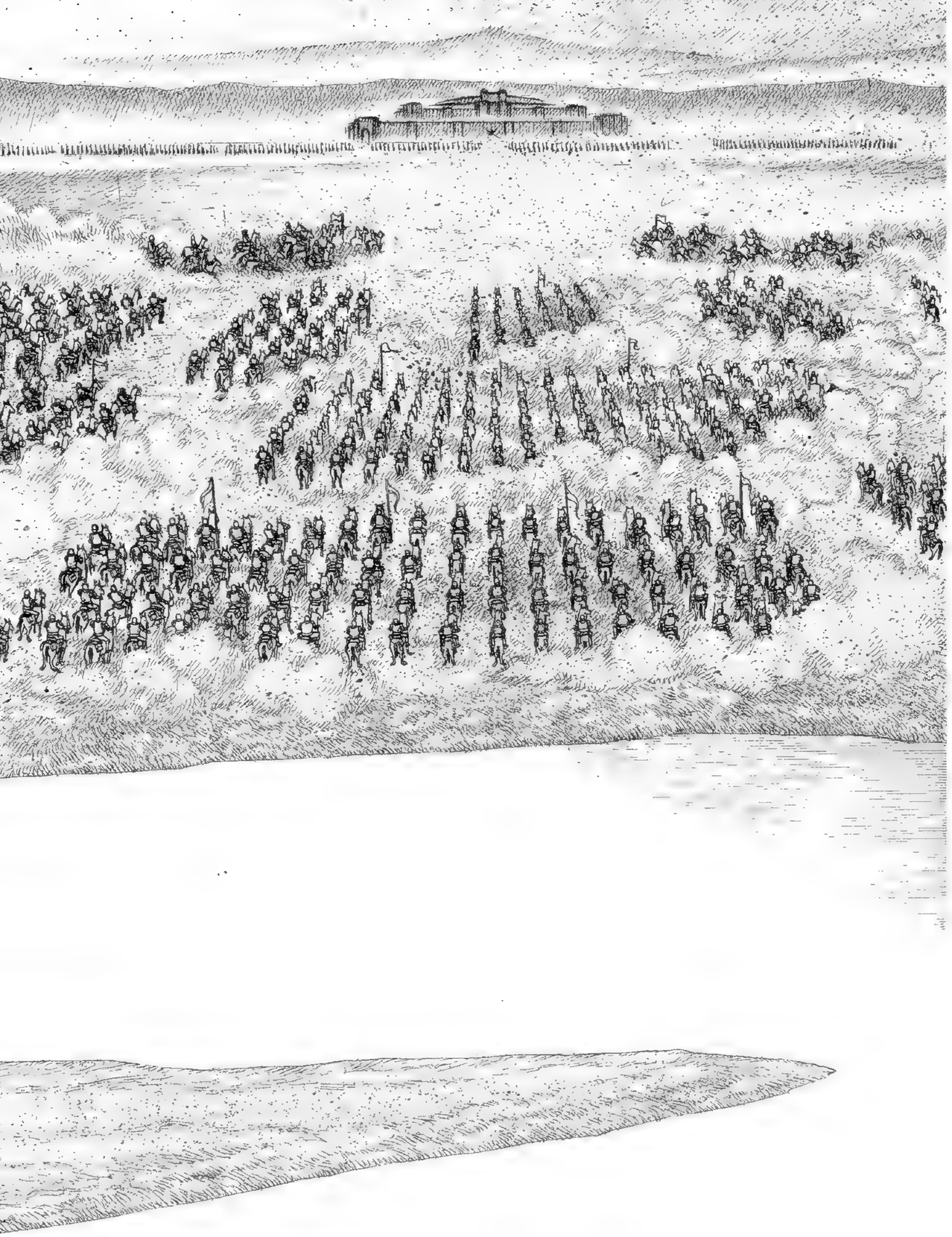

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HOW ARE YOUR INJURIES?

STILL THOUGH, THE MORE I LOOK AT THAT THE MORE I WANT TO GO HOME.

IT *REALLY* BEWILDERED THE DOC. THANKS, MAN.

YEAH, THEY'VE JUST ABOUT CLOSED UP. THAT STUFF 'A YOURS WAS *NO JOKE.*

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AND WITH THAT CLIFF BEHIND IT AND A BASIN IN CLEAR VIEW IN FRONT, IT'S NO WONDER IT'S BEEN SAFE FOR A HUNDRED YEARS.

ITS WALLS ARE TWO TIMES HIGHER AND THICKER THAN MOST.

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EVEN SO...

HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT.

TALK ABOUT BAD NEWS... CRIPES!

TO TOP IT OFF, IT'S GUARDED BY THOSE *RHINO KNIGHTS.*

NO PROBLEM, THE PLACE'S JUST A LITTLE BIG.

IF GRIFFITH'S GOT A PLAN *AS USUAL,* WE'LL BE FINE.

I'M SURPRISED.

NOWHERE TO RUN...

WHAT'S HE PLANNING?

THE WHITE HAWK.

I SHALL SIMPLY CONFRONT HIM HEAD-ON.

VERY WELL. HOWEVER HE'S CALCULATED HIS PLAN, THEIR NUMBERS WILL ONLY LAST SO LONG IN THE END.

NO, RATHER, A MEDIOCRE OFFICER WOULD BE INCAPABLE OF ACCOMPLISHING SUCH AN APPARENTLY FOOLISH PRETENSE...

PLACING HIS MEN WITH THEIR BACKS TO THE RIVER. KNOWS HE NOTHING OF STRATEGY?

...I HAVEN'T THE TIME TO DEAL WITH THE GOVERNOR'S PETTY, VULGAR TASTES.

HOW-EVER...

OR ELSE...

THE GOVERNOR'S PARTIALITY... IS THERE SOME SORT OF CONNECTION BETWEEN THOSE TWO?

I AM NO MORE THAN A MAN OF ARMS, AND MY MISSION IS EVER SIMPLY TO DEFEAT THE ENEMY!! WHETHER THE ENEMY GENERAL LIVES OR DIES IS THE FORTUNE OF THE MOMENT.

WHAT SPLENDID FORTUNE.

TO THINK THAT I WOULD LIVE TO MEET HIM BY CHANCE ONCE MORE...

HMHM, THE WHITE HAWK...

WORTH THE VALUE OF HIS WEIGHT IN GOLD...

AN *INTOXI-CATING PHANTOM.*

HE IS FINE WINE...

THAT ONE NIGHT... EVEN *NOW* I CAN'T FORGET.

I *SWEAR* I WILL HAVE YOU ONCE MORE, *LOVER.*

THE BURNS OF THAT NIGHT STILL DO NOT HEAL.

IT'S ALL PART OF THE PLAN.

THAT'S ONE *HELL* OF A DUST STORM...

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ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

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I JUST HOPE... ...HE STAYS CALM AND COMPOSED.

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LET'S GET STARTED.

GOOD.

NOT SOMETHIN' LIKE THAT.

THAT'D NEVER HAPPEN WITH HIM.....

HMPH.

...IS THE END.

THIS...

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...BENEATH THIS BANNER.

IT'S PROBABLY THE LAST TIME I SWING MY SWORD...

FIRST UNIT, ADVANCE!!

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I GO INTO BATTLE AS CAPTAIN OF THE HAWK'S RAIDERS.

NOTHING ELSE!!

...I'LL KEEP IT TOGETHER!!!

BUT...

DRAW SWORDS!!

CHARGE!!

VANGUARD!

BUT TO CHALLENGE THE HOLY PURPLE RHINO KNIGHTS PERSONALLY WITH AT *MOST* TWO THOUSAND BEHIND HIM... IT'S LIKE THE *HARE* LEAPING INTO THE *TIGER'S MOUTH!!*

THE FOOL!
I DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF TRICK HE MEANS TO PULL!!

ALL TROOPS FOWARD!!! DESTROY THE ENEMY'S FIRST WAVE!!!

SO BE IT!! WE WILL MEET YOU!!

WITH THE LEADER *HIMSELF* AT THE FORE?!

HE'S DIVIDED HIS ALREADY SMALL FORCE INTO *TWO*?!

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THE ENEMY IS MOVING!! THE VANGUARD IS A FORCE ABOUT TWO THOUSAND STRONG, DIRECTLY CONTROLLED BY GRIFFITH!!

BERSERK

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AMUS-ING!

HA!! SO THOSE ARE THE FABLED BAND OF THE HAWK RAIDERS!!

WE ARE THE FOREMOST UNIT OF THE HOLY PURPLE RHINO KNIGHTS, WHOSE CHARGE HAS *NEVER* ONCE BEEN *HALTED!!*

YOU'RE NO MATCH FOR--

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ONE STRONG PUSH TO THE CENTER TO KILL THE GENERAL... SO THAT'S HIS SCHEME!!

TH-THEY AREN'T STOPPING!!

ONE OF THE ENEMY UNITS IS BREAKING THROUGH TO OUR CENTER!!

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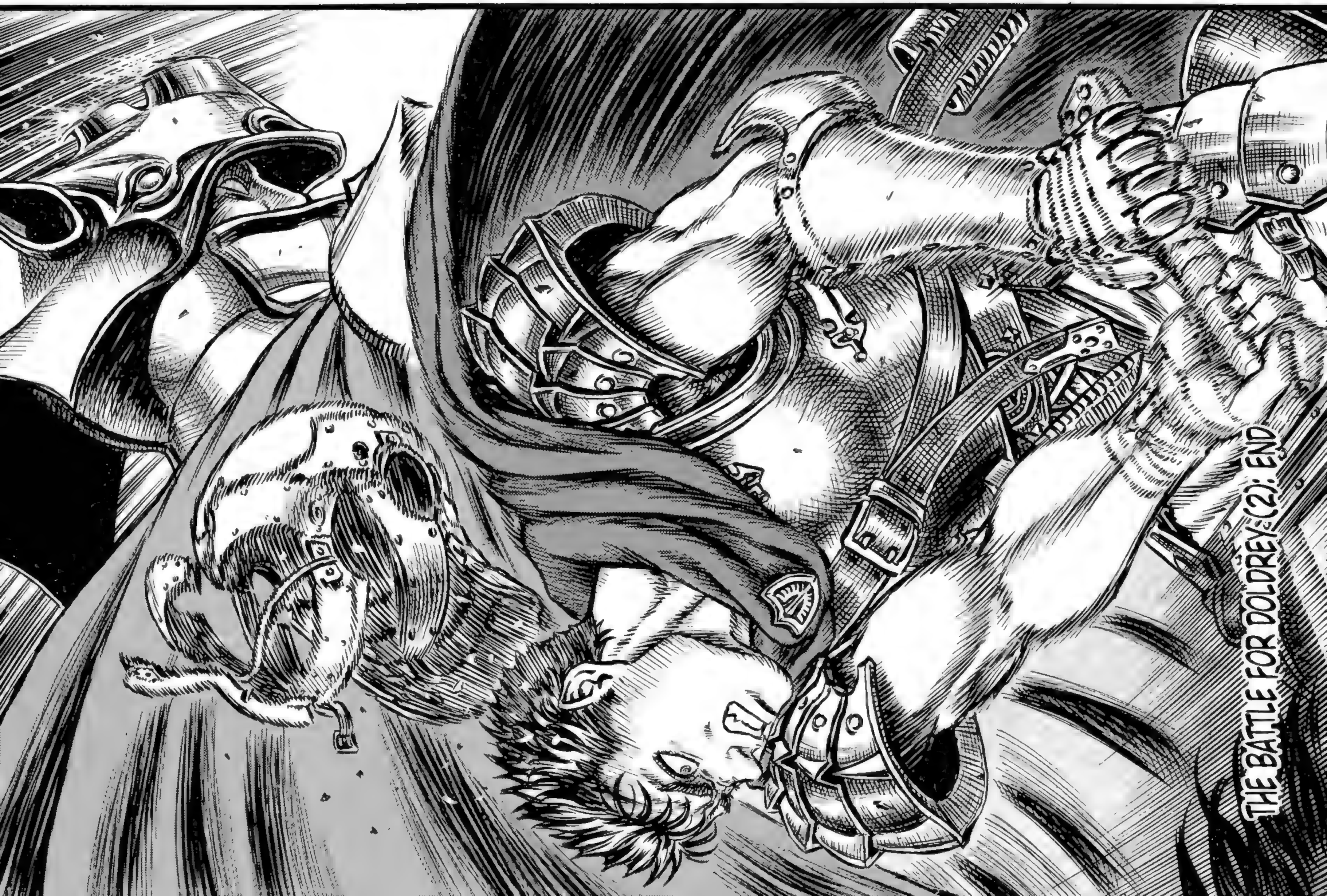
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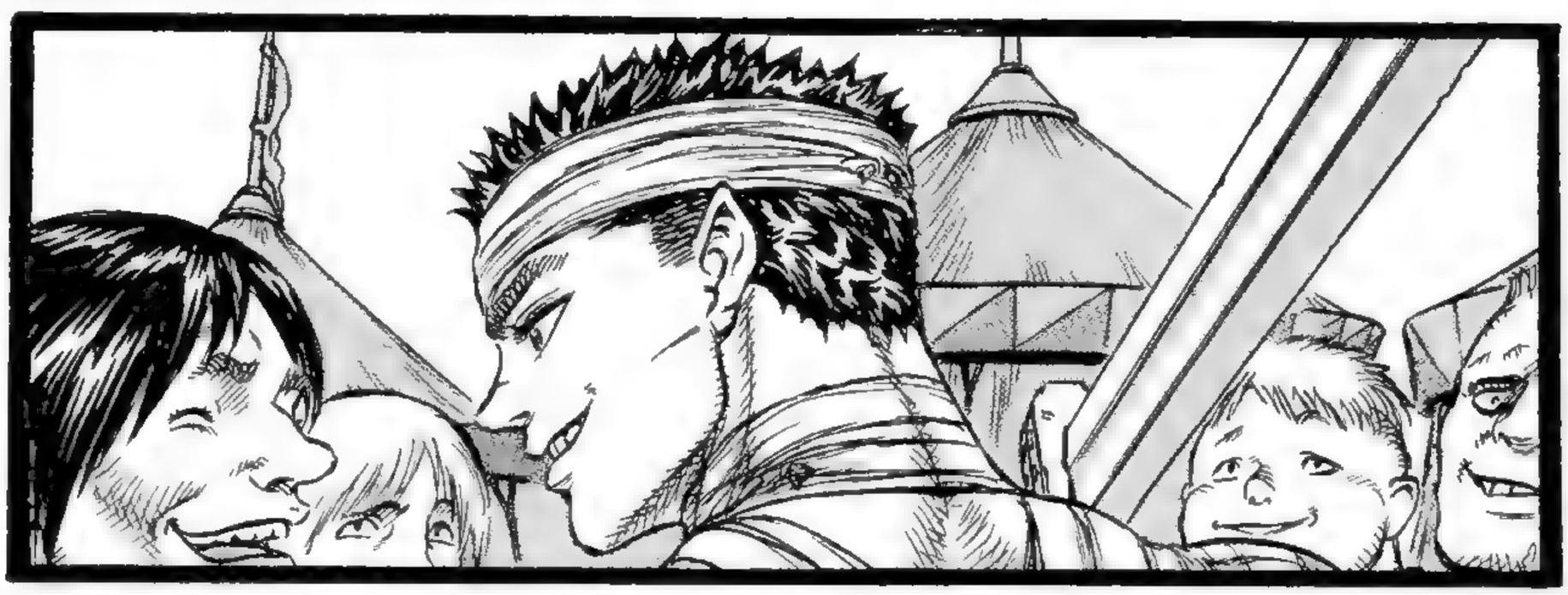

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THE BATTLE FOR DOLDREY, CHAPTER 3

PROTECT THE GENERAL!!

THE GENERAL!!

FOLLOW THE CAPTAIN!!

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NO MATTER HOW MANY ENEMIES WE'VE FACED, THE CHARGE OF THE HOLY PURPLE RHINO KNIGHTS HAS NEVER BEEN CHECKED!!

IT...CAN'T BE!! THEY AREN'T STOPPING!!

FORGET ADVANCING... WE'RE BEING *PUSHED?!*

HM.

G... *GENERAL!!*

THEY POSSESS WORTHY *ADVERSARIES.*

DAMNED HAWKS...

NO WONDER ...

THAT MAN, THEN.

IT WOULD SEEM THE STORY THAT ADON'S HUNDRED MERCENARIES WERE KILLED BY ONE MAN, IS NOT ENTIRELY UNTRUE.

SO THAT'S HIM...

SIR ?

THE BAND OF THE HAWK'S RAIDERS CAPTAIN.

THE ENEMY'S NUMBERS ARE STILL FEW!! ARRANGE FORMATION AND FORCE THEM BACK!!

DO NOT PANIC!! THIS IS MERELY A HARASSMENT TACTIC!!

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THE *HAWKS* AND THE *RHINOS* ARE WELL MATCHED.

THOUGH AFTER ALL THIS IS THE EXTENT OF A SMALL FORCE'S CAPABILITIES.

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IS ANYONE THERE?

SIR! I AM HERE!

MIGHT HE INTEND TO DISREGARD MY COMMAND?

BUT THAT *BOSCOGN.* IF HE KEEPS FIGHTING THAT WAY, HE'LL KILL GRIFFITH.

PREPARE MY BODYGUARDS WHO REMAIN IN THE FORTRESS TO RIDE.

I WILL TAKE PERSONAL COMMAND ON THE BATTLEFIELD.

AT THIS RATE THEY CAN'T EVEN GET *NEAR* THE WALLS!

...I CARE NOT!

YES, SIR!

BUT THE DEFENSE OF THE FORTRESS ...

YES, SIR...

I WON'T SIT BACK AND LET THE RETURNED HAWK BE SHOT DOWN.

NOW'D BE A GOOD TIME, BOSS!!

YOW!

ALL HANDS WITHDRAW!!

FALL BACK TO HEAD-QUARTERS!!

C'MON BOYS!!

RUN FOR IT!!

YEAH!!

GENERAL!! THE ENEMY HAS BEGUN TO WITHDRAW. LET'S PURSUE!!

INSCRU-TABLE.

SIR?

IS *THIS* REALLY THE PLAN OF THE UNDEFEATED WHITE HAWK?

HE SHOULD HAVE *SEEN* THE OUTCOME OF SUCH AN ATTACK FROM THE START.

EVERYONE IS HOT-BLOODED FOR A CHANCE TO BOLSTER OUR RENOWN EVEN FURTHER!!

BUT SIR, ORDER US TO PURSUE THEM *SWIFTLY!!*

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IF WE LET THE WHITE HAWK ESCAPE LIKE THIS, THE MEN WON'T BE ABLE TO CONTAIN THEIR DISCONTENT OVER MISSING SUCH A FRUITFUL OPPORTUNITY!!

THERE MUST BE NO OTHER OPTIONS LEFT TO A SMALL FORCE LIKE THE BAND OF THE HAWK AGAINST THE HOLY PURPLE RHINO KNIGHTS.

MEANING NO DISRESPECT, BUT PERHAPS YOU'VE OVER-ESTIMATED THEM, SIR?

IT WAS PROBABLY A DESPERATE PLAN TO BREAK THROUGH AT ONE POINT AND CLAIM YOUR HEAD.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, BOSCOGN?

EXCELL-ENCY.

WHAT?

GENERAL!! HIS EXCELLENCY THE *GOVERNOR!!*

NO, SIR...

HOW-EVER...

WOULD YOU LET YOUR CHANCE AT VICTORY SLIP AWAY?

THE ENEMY IS IN FLIGHT.

EVERYONE LISTEN!!

YOU SHALL CAPTURE HIM ALIVE!!

I WILL *NOT* PERMIT THE ENEMY LEADER, *COUNT GRIFFITH*, TO BE KILLED!!

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AND WHATEVER MONETARY REWARD YOU WISH!!

IN RETURN, I PROMISE WHOEVER CAPTURES HIM A SPECIAL DOUBLE PROMOTION!!

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PROM-ISING A THING LIKE THAT...

GOVER-NOR.

NEVER YOU MIND.

BUT WHAT OF MILITARY DISCI-PLINE?

THE HOLY PURPLE RHINO KNIGHTS WILL PURSUE THE ENEMY!!

FROM HERE ON I AM IN DIRECT COMMAND!!

GENERAL ...

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BE THOROUGH!!

CONVEY MY ORDERS TO ALL YOUR MEN!!

ALL ARE TO PURSUE THE ENEMY!!

IT CANNOT BE HELPED!!

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WHOA !!

THIS AIN'T A GOOD TIME TO BE BRINGIN' UP THE REAR BY MYSELF!!

LIKE IT'S ALWAYS BEEN.

RIGHT, EVERYTHING'S IN THE PALM OF YOUR HAND...

BUT AS PLANNED, THEY TOOK THE BAIT AND CAME ON.....

TAKE FORMATION!!

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HAHA. Y'MEAN WE'RE GONNA TAKE ON ALL OF THEM?

SPEC-TACULAR.

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THE RIVER'S BEHIND, WE'VE NO ESCAPE ROUTE!!

IT'S DO OR DIE!!

THERE'S NO OTHER CHANCE FOR SURVIVAL!!

LAY DOWN YOUR LIVES!!

...WE WILL STAND VICTORIOUS!!

BUT IF WE DO SURVIVE...

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FORGET ABOUT IT--TOO MUCH COMPE-TITION.

JUST ABOUT EVERYONE FROM THE FORTRESS IS OUT THERE.

I HEARD WHOEVER CAPTURES THE ENEMY LEADER CAN NAME HIS REWARD.

WISH WE COULD HAVE GONE, TOO.

WELL, YOU KNOW THERE'S ABOUT A ONE IN A MILLION CHANCE WE'LL ACTUALLY LOSE.

AHHHH, WHAT IN THE WORLD'S GOING ON? I CAN'T SEE THROUGH THE DUST CLOUD.

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WHERE'D THEY ...!?

RUSH IN!!

ALL OTHERS PROCEED ACCORDING TO PLAN!!

FIRST DIVISION, BLOCK THE GATES! ABSOLUTELY NO ENEMY MESSENGERS GET OUTSIDE!!

ISN'T THAT...

SWIFT-LY!!

THERE'S NO TIME TO LOSE!!

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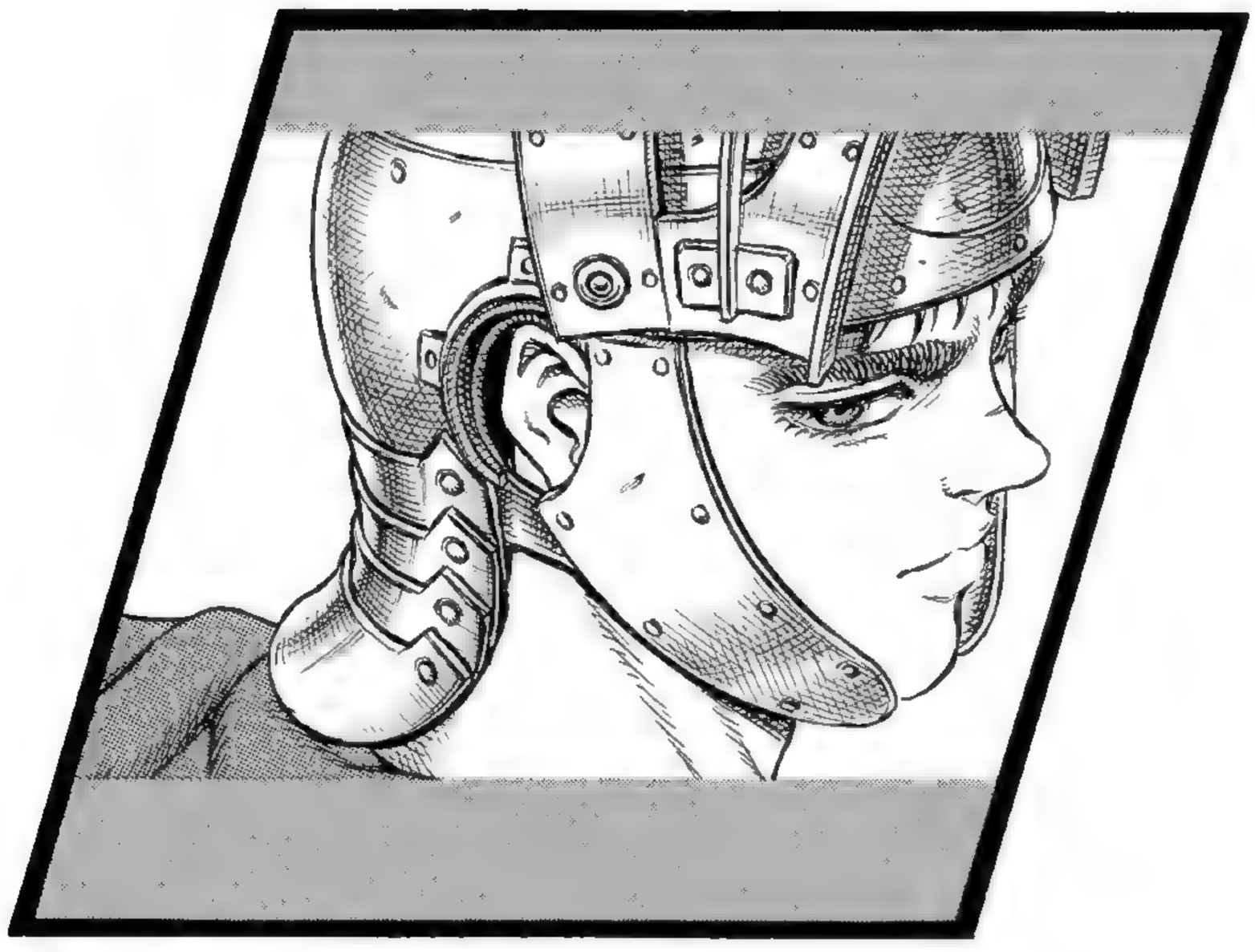

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TAKE CONTROL OF THE GATE AND WALLS!! DON'T EVEN BOTHER WITH THE KEEP!!

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THE BATTLE FOR DOLDREY,
CHAPTER 4

HUHAHA!! THEY ALSO CALL ME "INVINCIBLE BARON ADON!!"

EVEN IF I AM A COCKROACH, YOU HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO KNEEL BEFORE MY STAMINA!!

AS LONG AS YOU STILL HAVE KNEES TO KNEEL WITH, OF COURSE!!

YOU'RE REALLY A TENACIOUS COCKROACH.

YOU AGAIN, HUH?

WHAT'S WITH THAT ARMOR?

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THEREFORE I PERSONALLY ACCEPTED THE DUTY OF PROTECTING THE FORTRESS AND HAVE BEEN WATCHING FOR YOU TO WALTZ BRAZENLY IN HERE!!

HMHMHM... I, ADON, SAW THROUGH THE SCHEMES OF YOU COMMON RABBLE AGES AGO!!

IT'S NO LIE!!

REVEAL YOUR-SELVES!!!

HE WAS PROB'LY FORCED TO STAY BEHIND.

LIAR.

YOU SEE?!

MY BLUE WHALE KNIGHTS, LEFT INSIDE THE FORTRESS FOR THIS VERY *MOMENT!!* EVEN IF THEIR NUMBERS *WERE* REDUCED IN THE PREVIOUS BATTLE, THEY'LL *NEVER* LOSE TO A PETTY PLATOON LED BY A LITTLE GIRL LIKE YOU!!

LISTEN !!

NOT ONE OF THEM MUST BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE HERE ALIVE!!

GET THEM!!

THIS TIME I GET REVENGE ...

NOW COME, GIRL!!

...FOR MY LITTLE BROTHER *SAMSON!!*

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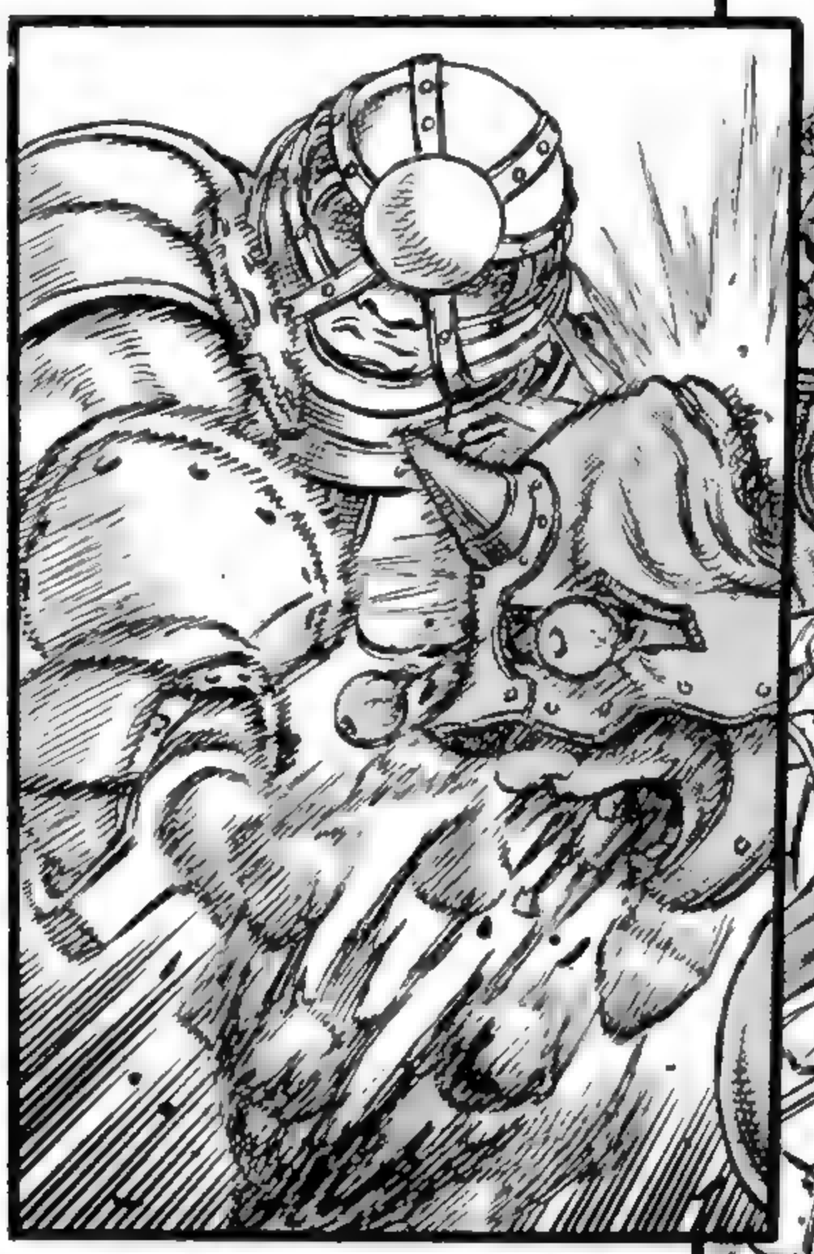
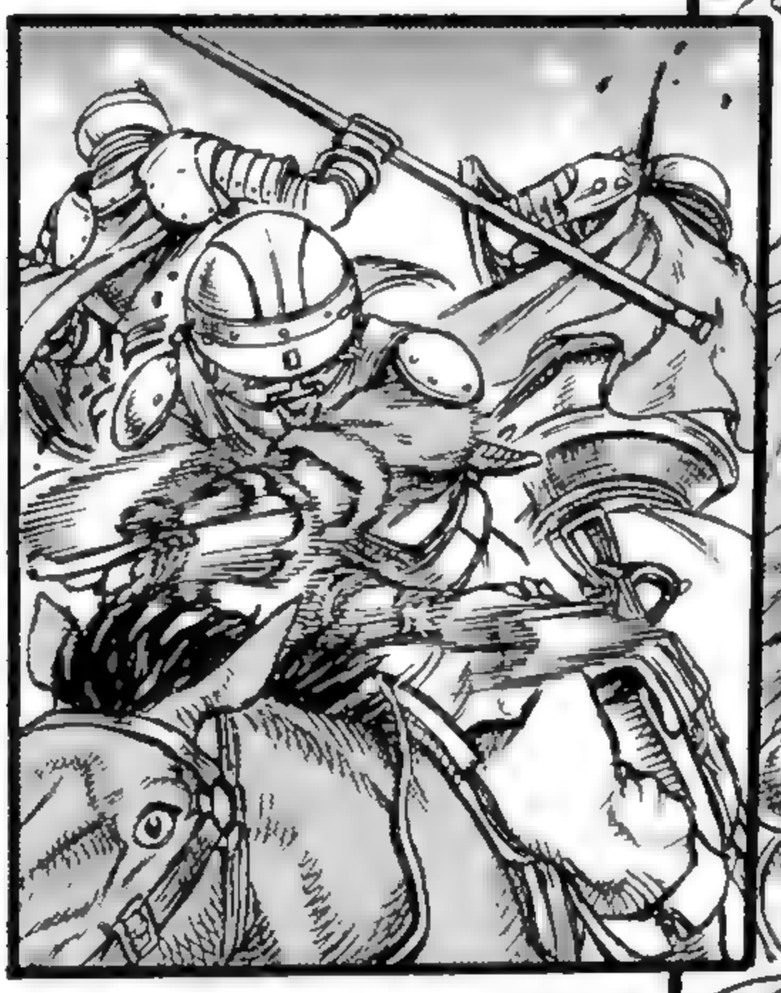
ON MY PRIDE AS AN IMPERIAL ARISTOCRAT, YOU *WILL* BE MY PLAYTHING. *DOWAHHHH!!*

NO MORE MERCY FOR YOU!! *NOT* THIS TIME!!





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HNN!

IT APPEARS OUR ARMY IS HAVING TROUBLE APPROACHING HIM.

WHAAAT?!

IN ANY CASE, SOME *TERRIBLY* SKILLED HORSEMAN IS BLOCKING THE WAY TO COUNT GRIFFITH.

THE ENEMY'S RESISTANCE SEEMS MORE INTENSE THAN WE EXPECTED.

HAVEN'T THEY BEEN ABLE TO CAPTURE GRIFFITH YET?!

ARGGGH, WHAT ARE THEY *DOING*?!

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GENERALI!!

WHA...

...WHAT STRENGTH!!

S-SOMEBODY STOP HIM!!

FLIP

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IF...IF YOU APPROACHED NOW YOU'D GET CAUGHT IN THEIR BLADE-WIND!!
YOU CAN'T SEE THEIR WEAPONS!!
A-AMAZING!!

WH-
WHY?!

YOU COULD HARDLY LIFT A *FINGER* AGAINST ME BEFORE!!

I WASN'T IN TOP FORM THEN.

WOMEN HAVE THEIR *OWN* SET OF CIRCUM-STANCES.

THAT MONSTER DOESN'T STAND A CHANCE!!

OHHH, IT WAS HER PERIOD.

SIS REALLY *IS* INCREDIBLE!!

DON'T SHOUT IT!!

WHAAAT?! ARE YOU TELLING ME YOU WERE ON YOUR *PERIOD?!!*

HURRY!!

THE ENEMY NUMBERS FEW!!

THE FATE OF THE HAWKS DEPENDS ON THIS ONE BATTLE!!

JUST CUT THROUGH THEM!!

UWAH!!

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DAMMIT!! IT'S JUST A MATTER OF TIME TILL WE'RE *WIPED OUT!!*

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DAHHH!!

PIPPIN!!

IF WE'RE GONNA DROWN ANYWAY, I'D RATHER DIE *FIGHTING!!*

NO WAY!!

EVEN IF WE RUN, WHERE WOULD WE *GO?!* THE RIVER'S BEHIND US!!

MY ARMY IS OVER-WHELMING, ISN'T IT?!

HAHAHA!!

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LITTLE RICKERT'S *FLIPPED OUT!*

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WHY IS A SINGLE MOUNTED MAN TAKING HIM SO LONG?

ON THE OTHER HAND, THERE'S BOSCOGN ...

...GUTS.

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IF I DON'T PUT MY LIFE ON THE LINE...

...I'M A DEAD MAN!!

I FEEL MORE DEAD THAN ALIVE.

EVEN WORSE THAN FIGHTING THOSE HUNDRED MERCS!!

HE'S STRONG !!

IT'S NOT AS HOPE-LESS...

...NO. ....

...AS IT WAS THEN.

IT AIN'T AS BAD AS THAT TIME.....

RAGH!

HACH!

WHEW!
HONGO

S-SIR ADON!!

SIR!!

AIEEE!!

FORGIVE ME!!!

THERE'S ONLY ONE THING LEFT TO DO!

...OHHH!

SIR, THAT'S INCREDIBLY UNCOOL!!

YOU MUST BE KIDDING?! IT WAS YOUR FAULT WE ALL GOT LEFT BEHIND HERE, AND YET...

S-SIR ADON, THIS IS JUST TOO MUCH...!!

OH, SHUT UP!! A GREAT COMMANDER CAN ALSO SEE WHEN IT'S TIME TO GIVE UP!!

WHATEVER ELSE, PLEASE *SPARE MY LIFE!!* I HUMBLY ASK THAT YOU SOMEHOW FIND IT IN YOUR HEART TO FORGIVE MY MANY AND FREQUENT OFFENSES!! I BEG OF YOU!!

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IF YOU WANT THIS FORTRESS, YOU'RE WELCOME TO IT! WE WON'T STOP YOU! SO PLEASE, MY LIFE AT THE VERY LEAST...

GO AHEAD...

IS THIS GUY *REALLY* NOBILITY ...?

FATE IS SUCH A *SORROWFUL* THING, THAT WE'VE MET ONLY AS ENEMIES AND WERE FORCED TO DO BATTLE. REALLY, DON'T YOU AGREE?

UWEH HEH HEH...!

EVERYTHING I'VE DONE HAS BEEN UNDER THE ORDER OF THE GENERAL! I DIDN'T HAVE THE *SLIGHTEST* BIT OF PERSONAL GRUDGE AGAINST YOU, MISS!

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HE'S ALMOST BEYOND LAUGH-ABLE...

DID I ACTUALLY TAKE HIM SERIOUS-LY AS AN OPPONENT ?

BUT SERIOUSLY! NWAHAHHHH!!

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THE SECRET ADVANCED ARCHERY TECHNIQUE PASSED DOWN THROUGH MY *COBORLWITZ* FAMILY FOR A THOUSAND YEARS.

*RESSHA JINRAIHA**! THAT'S NOT JUST AN ARROW. IT WAS DIPPED IN A POTENT *NARCOTIC!*

**"FURIOUS ATTACK THUNDERCLAP BURST"

UWA HA HA HA HA HA, YOU FOOL!!

SIS!!

うはあ!

...YOUR EVIL DEEDS ARE AT AN END, YOU BITCH!!

IN OTHER WORDS ...

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...TO LISTEN TO YOU LAUGH ANY LONGER.

I'VE GOT NO TIME...

THE BATTLE FOR DOLDREY (4): END

STOP

This is the back of the book!

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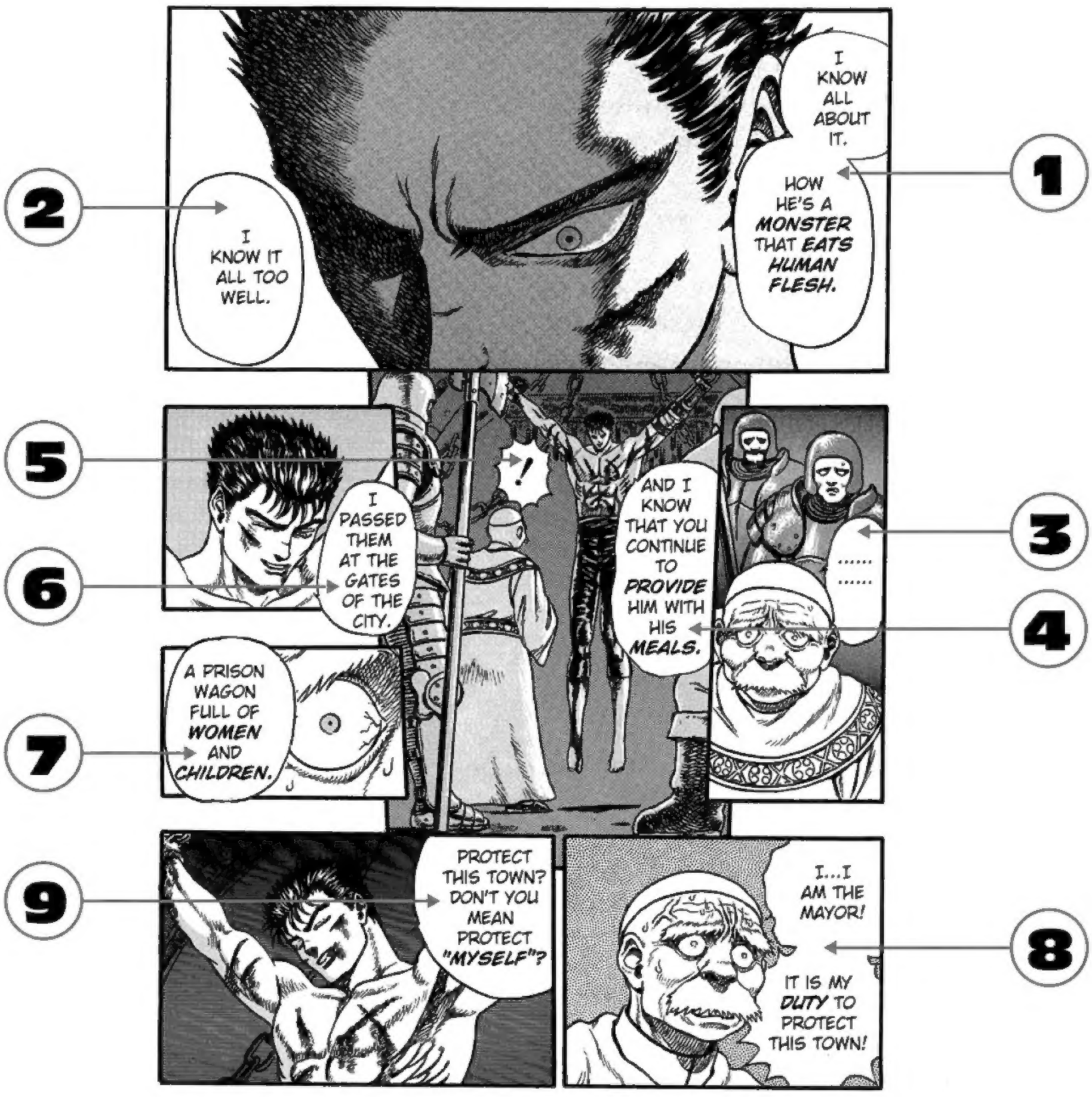

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BERSERK

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The feudal kingdoms of Midland and Chuder face off in the final clash of a century-long struggle. Midland's spearhead is the Band of the Hawk, a legendary cadre of mercenaries led by the charismatic Griffith and with the fearless Guts as its berserker champion. The Hawks' ferocity, courage, and fearsome skills are just what Midland needs to turn the bloody tide, but during the fray, Guts and Griffith's most trusted lieutenant, Casca, fall together from a cliff into a raging river. Both miraculously survive, and Guts tends to Casca's wounds as she tells of having her life saved by Griffith, her induction into the Band of the Hawk, and reveals her deep feelings toward Griffith. And she even seems to finally be warming up to the grim Guts. But this greeting-card moment won't last long, for Chuder warriors are on the prowl, and the only greetings they carry are on the points of their spears!

Created by Kentaro Miura, *Berserk* is pedal-to-the-metal manga madness, a raging blur of savage action, grisly horror, and dark humor that has inspired legions of rabid fans and rendered aghast hordes of terrified civilians. Duck and cover and look out for flying glass, because *Berserk* is going . . . well, berserk!

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